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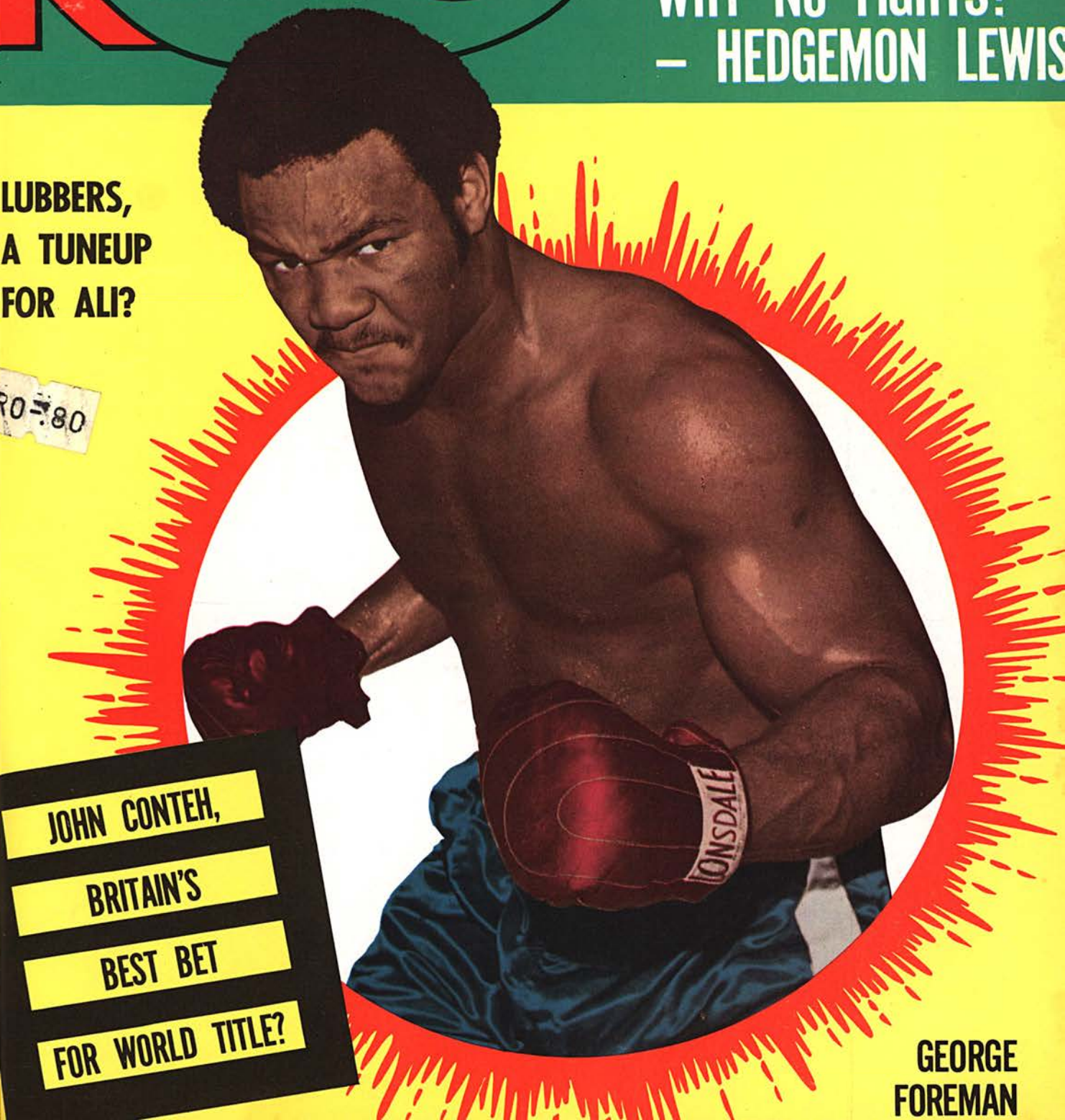

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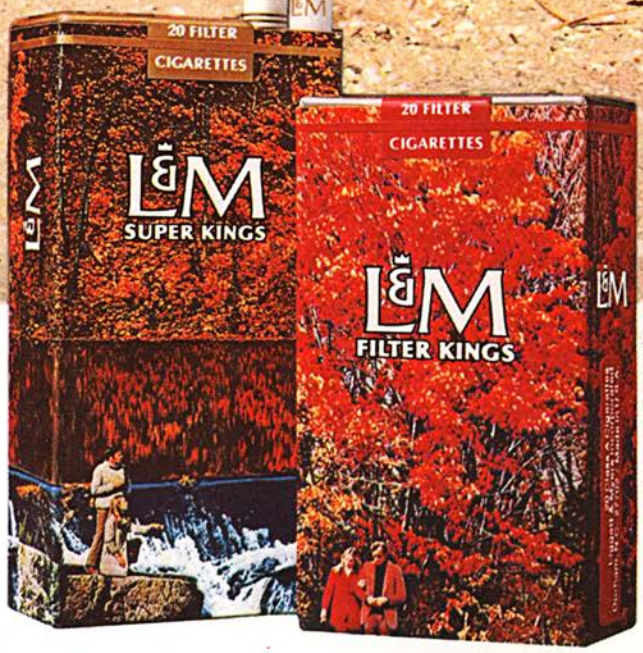

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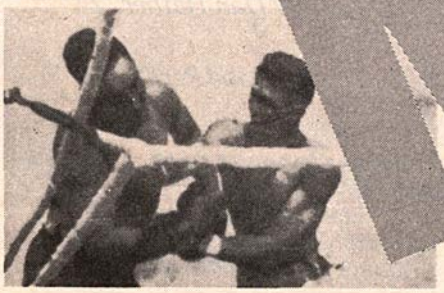

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AS NAT LOUBET SEES IT

THE Ring Magazine's recent exposure of phoney "champions" and spurious claimants to title eligibility, already has borne some fruit.

A letter from Robert Lee, President of the World Boxing Association, to me expresses willingness to let The Ring arbitrate the question of disagreement between the WBA and the World Boxing Council relative to world championships. I have grave doubts of the success of such a venture.

The major problem in boxing would be obviated by the passage of a law creating a national boxing authority which would have full control of the sport in the United States and, through its influence, help boxing the world over.

The WBA and the WBC, state, city and other commissions would find themselves forced to live up to the law. There would be a uniformity of rules and action. The Ring pledges itself to help anybody in boxing seeking to better the sport and give the fans a fair shake.

The Ring has no ax to grind. It is militant for the good and welfare of boxing, and has no special leanings toward whites or blacks, Mexicans, South Americans or Puerto Ricans.

I would be delighted to become an arbitrator if proper authority were delegated to me by the WBC as well as the WBA.

To become nothing more than a puppet in questions of argument and debate would not attract me for a minute.

The Ring believes that the first questions to be decided have to do with open titles, in the featherweight and flyweight divisions.

As he has announced his intention to retire after one more fight, Carlos Monzon, the world middleweight champion, will create still another open title.

Monzon, apparently, will not give Tony Mundine, the Australian, who stands out as the No. I contender, his chance at a title shot.

If the WBA and the WBC were in agreement they would not permit Monzon to fight Jose Napoles, champion in a lower weight class and deny Mundine his opportunity.

There is a report that if Napoles gets a beating from Monzon, he, too, will quit the game. Napoles is reportedly averse to training and he has enough pesos to say goodbye to the ring.

Our sources indicate that Dr. Ramon Velasquez would like to see the weight classes in boxing changed. There is some merit in this suggestion but unless all the organizations governing boxing in all countries agree, the net results would be utter chaos. There is no doubt but that there should be only one boxing organization in the United States. We doubt if this will ever happen without a takeover by the Federal government with a man at the head who knows the score and will have the power to keep the lesser boxing moguls in line.

Will there ever be a time of unity in boxing? Will promoters look beyond their immediate personal objectives? Will commissions ever be composed of men who know boxing and are not guided by political influences?

Will boxing ever come to a time when all authorities will obey the rules and stop thumbing their noses at the regulations whenever it suits their selfish purposes?

I have to admit that I do not possess the answers.

COURT ORDERS MAY STOP FOREMAN FROM DEFENDING TITLE IN THIS COUNTRY

By DAN DANIEL

LOOKING over the heavyweight schedule we find just one important fight apparently certain to take place, in Madison Square Garden, New York, where on March 8, 1971, Joe Frazier, then the world champion, got an unmarred decision over Muhammad Ali (Cassius Clay) in 15 rounds. Joe and Ali are scheduled to meet again on January 28.

When the match was made it was scheduled for February 4. It had to be reassigned because of other commitments in the Garden.

While there is this important move in the higher ranks of the heavies between two former champions of the world, the current holder of the title shows no inclination to become involved in important action.

The Garden thought it had George Foreman matched with Jerry Quarry but 24 hours after Foreman's reported okeh on the deal he decided that it was no go.

As Teddy Brenner, director of boxing in the Garden, still hopes to persuade Foreman to fight for him, he is averse to discussing George and his reluctance to take on Jerry Quarry.

Teddy hopes that after the Ali-Frazier bout he will get Foreman's signature for a bout with the winner. But this is just a fancy on Teddy's part. The position of the Garden, as explained by a spokesman, will be found in this interview:

"It's on, it's off, between Foreman and Madison Square Garden. It is my personal belief that Foreman will not defend the title in the United States.

"The champion's hands are tied, insofar as a real defense in the U.S. is concerned, by the fact that so many investors are said to hold "pieces" of Foreman. This situation reportedly developed during the period in which Dick Sadler was the champion's manager.

Currently Foreman is his own pilot, although Leroy Jackson is supposed to be the manager, and the secretary of Foreman Enterprises.

"The trouble is that Foreman may be subject to court orders. Also, George has the notion that he is the owner of the world championship to have and to hold until he is knocked loose from the title.

"Foreman does not realize that he is merely the custodian of the championship and that certain musts are connected with the title he took from Frazier.

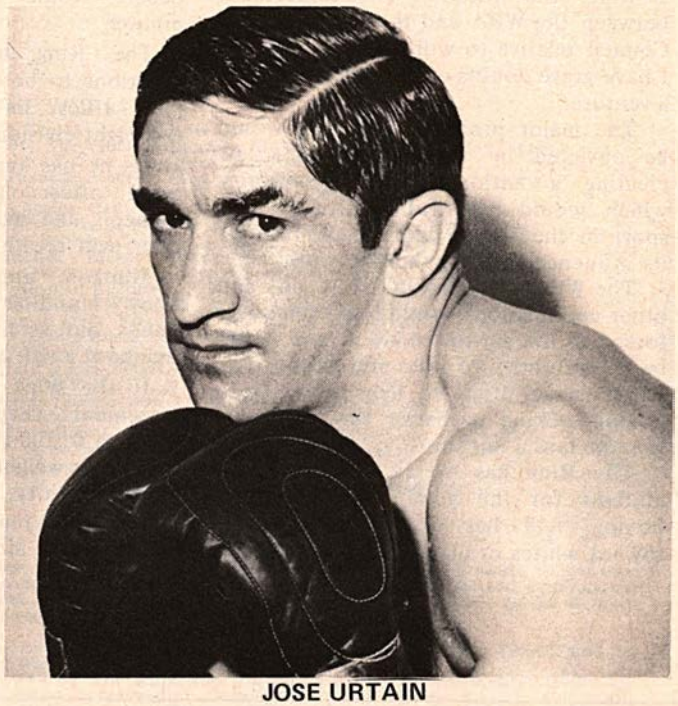
"Heavyweight history shows that the champion is favored with certain privileges insofar as the period of inactivity is concerned. But he is expected to give the best available contenders their chances, just as he was favored by Joe Frazier.

"Foreman cannot put the championship in a bank vault and fight or rest as he pleases, indefinitely."

A report in New York has Foreman scheduled to fight Jose Urtain, former champion of Europe, in Panama.

Urtain is not considered a dangerous foe for the champion. But George feels that if he rates Urtain worthy of a fight he is worthy, and that's that.

TEDDY BRENNER



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After Foreman had stopped Frazier in two rounds, in which Joe was decked six times, in Jamaica, it was expected that George would make hay while the sun was shining. But Foreman has not indicated that he is primarily interested, as yet, in Big Money.

While Foreman cogitates, Ken Norton, the San Diego Jaw Buster, lies around at his ease, getting over the second fight with Clay.

Cassius is the busy boy of the field. He recently beat Rudi Lubbers, of Holland, in a 15-round meeting at Jakarta. Clay kept his right hand in escrow, "reserved for Joe Frazier." Cassius will fight anybody, any place, while the chance to cash in presents itself.

The second meeting of Clay and Frazier, like the first one, will be a partnership affair between the Garden and Jack Kent Cooke. Apparently the Garden had to include Cooke in the deal because he had a paper signed by Clay and Frazier, setting up a second fight.

The return match will be fought at greatly reduced rates.

While Frazier still was the champion, Cooke's offer reached the dizzy heights of $3,200,000 for each fighter. They haggled and haggled, and then Joe made the mistake of underrating Foreman, with disastrous results.

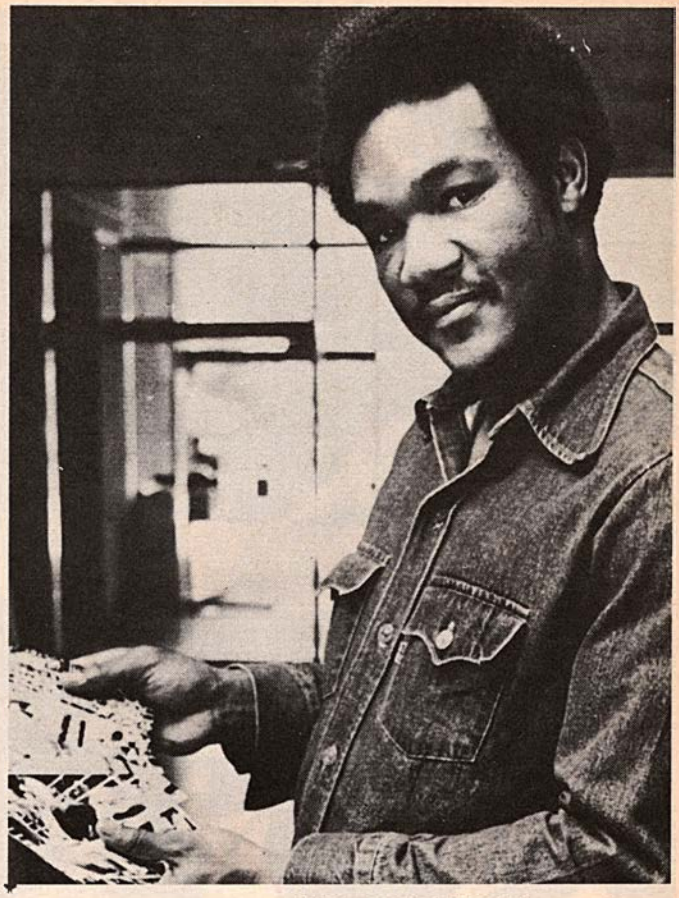
"The January 28 fight will be an eye opener," Brenner told the writer. "I believe that if we had an arena seating 60,000 it would be a sellout.

"After Frazier and Ali have their fight, the winner will meet George, not, it appears, in New York. Report has it that Foreman has yet to collect his million from the Tokyo promoters, who choose to honor a Philadelphia court order."

Foreman has been swamped with bids, among them a Quarry fight in New York. This, it is reported, will go to Mexico City.

Foreman also has that bid from Panama, which may be considered a sure thing.

Foreman could collect a million for a Quarry fight in New York.



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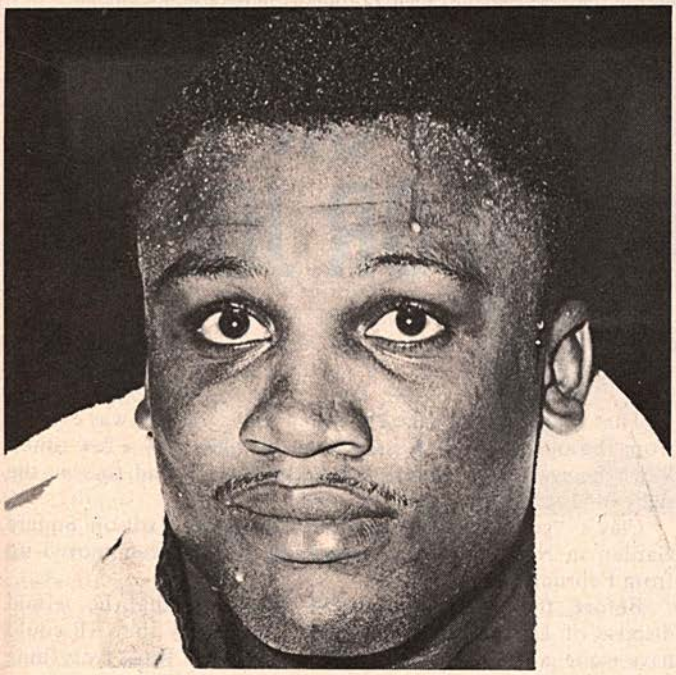

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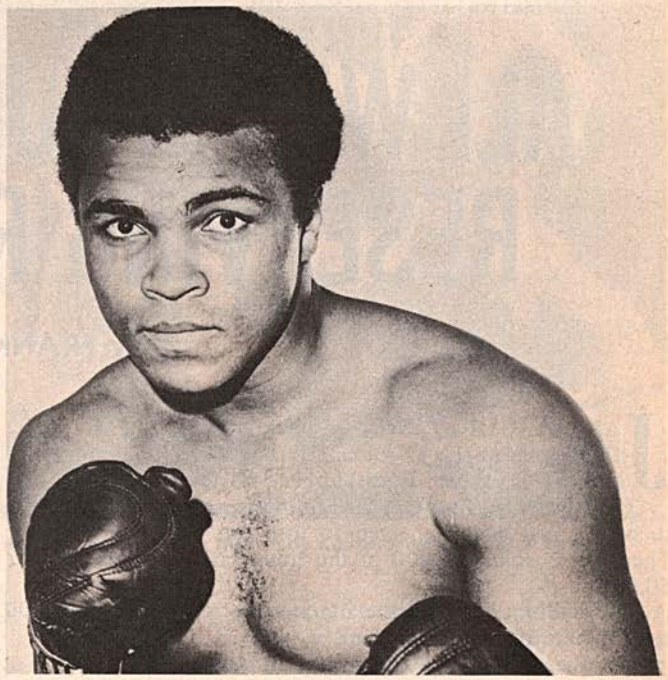

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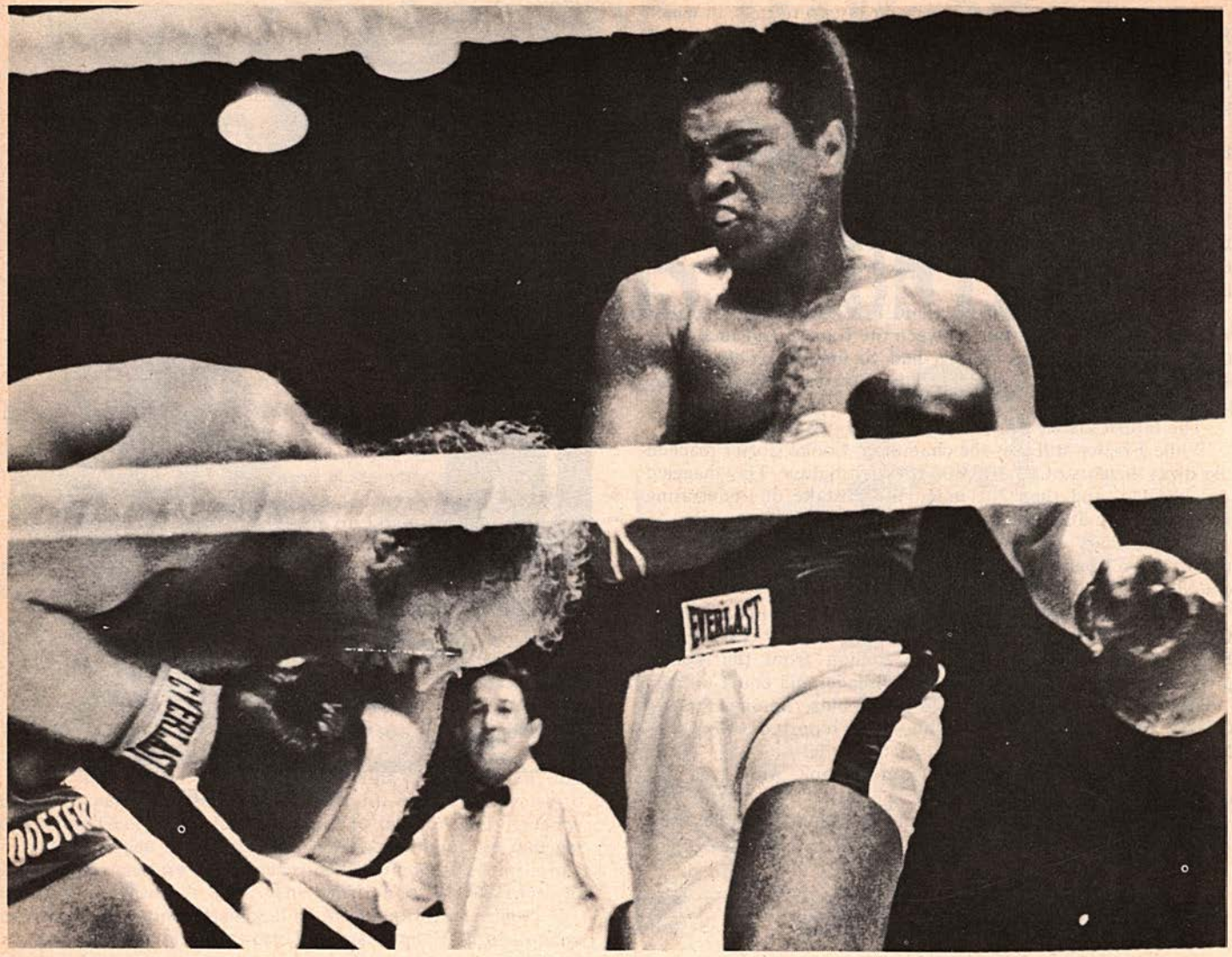


Muhammad Ali has just connected with a right to the head of Rudi Lubbers in the 11th round of their 12-rounder in Jakarta, Indonesia.

ALI WHIPS LUBBERS FOR 12, RESERVING RIGHT FOR JOE

By FRANK HASTINGS

JAKARTA, INDONESIA – There was no question as to the winner of the 12-round affair between Muhammad Ali (Cassius Clay), and Rudi Lubbers, of Holland.

The first "big" fight yet seen in Indonesia was not quite the success it had been expected to turn out by the promoters. There were some 23,000 in the house and they looked for 50,000.

The stadium in which the argument took place has 120,000 seats. Where are you, New York?

The question was, could it be called a real fight?

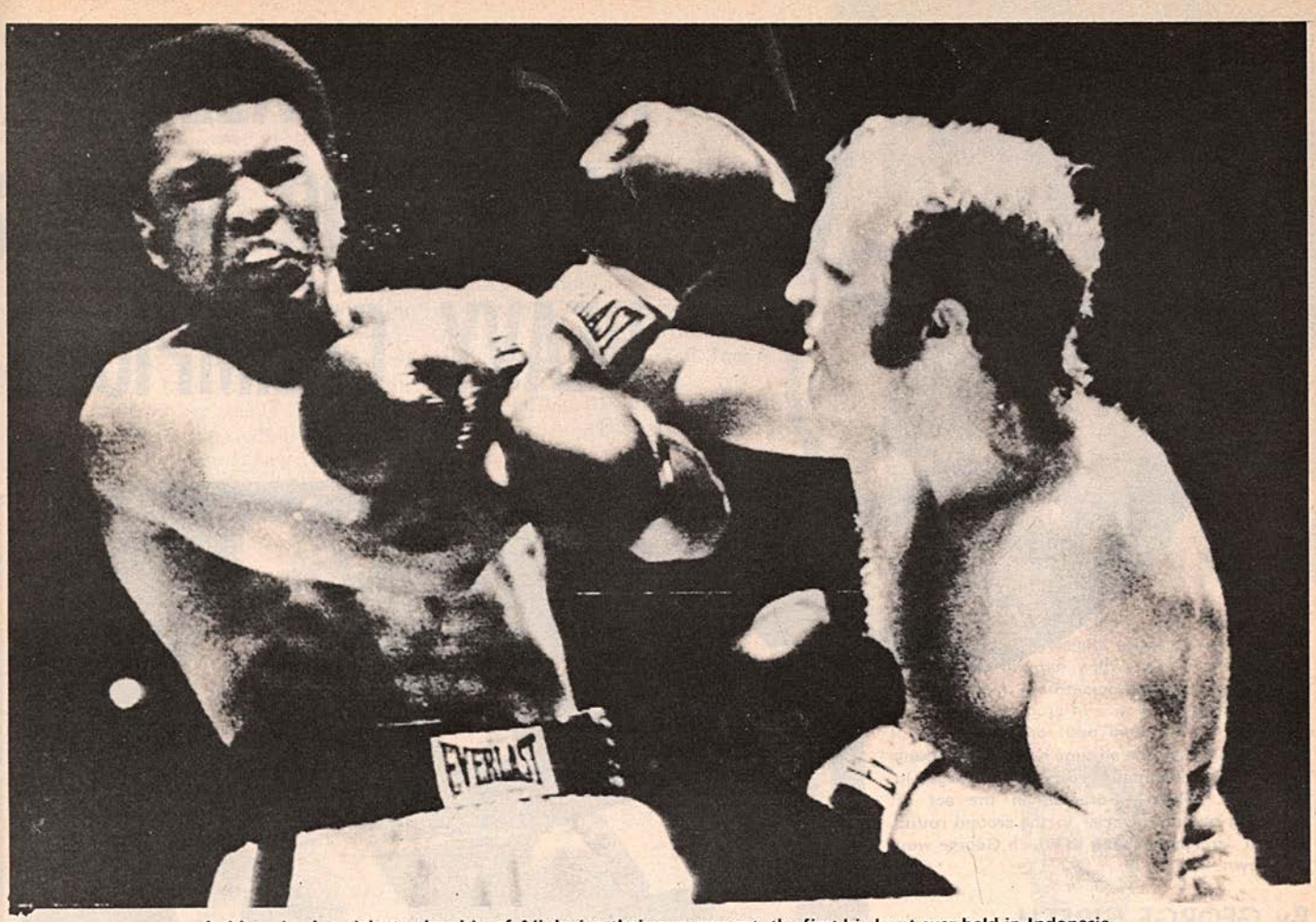
Lubbers was belted hither and yon. He left the ring with gore running out of his nose and his right eye almost shut.

That Clay did not take the event very seriously was evident from the opening bell. Cassius used his right only a few times. When he was asked about this he replied, "I had to save the right for Joe Frazier."

Clay's "get hunks" chance will come in Madison Square Garden in New York on January 28. It has been moved up from February 4.

Before the fight Muhammad predicted that he would dispose of Lubbers in five rounds. It is likely that Ali could have made good on the prophecy had he given Rudi everything he had with both fists.

"He is a fine fighter," Clay announced after it was all over.



Lubbers lands a right to the chin of Ali during their engagement, the first big bout ever held in Indonesia.

Lubbers is not rated among the Top Ten in the world's heavyweight listing.

Lubbers said that he had fought as hard as he could and he believed that Muhammad had operated just as enthusiastically.

Ali, who received $200,000 for his intense efforts, came into the ring weighing 217½ pounds.

That the visit to Jakarta was worth his time may be assumed from the fact that he got $200,000.

Lubbers, who used his right as well as his left, did not get anything approaching this sum. Rudi collected $50,000 for his fight and his weight was 196 pounds.

The crowd was 98 percent Moslem and since Muhammad Ali also is Moslem, he got all the cheers and Lubbers got the beating, which somehow does not square up.

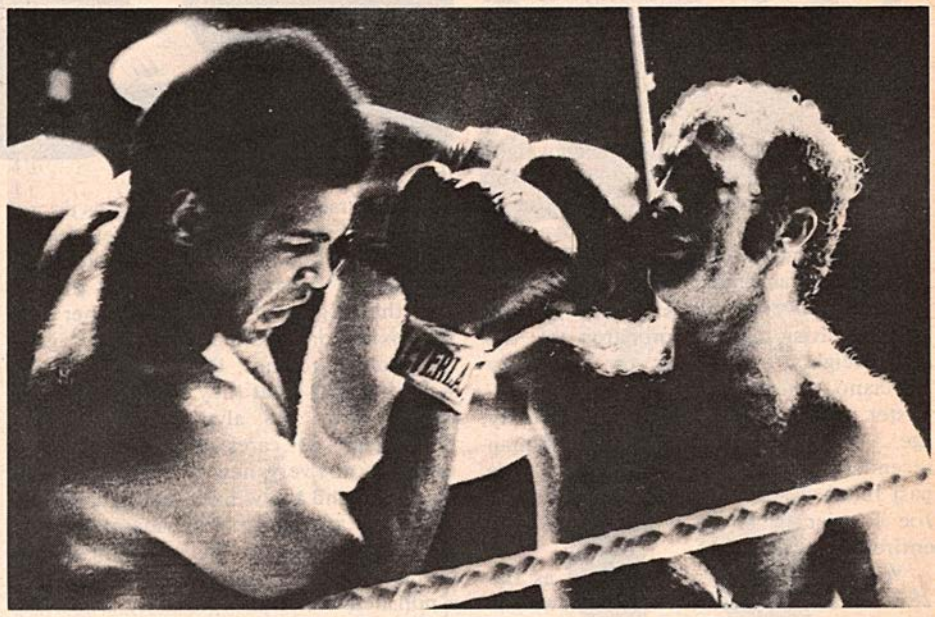
Ali did not pursue his man with the vigor he certainly will display in his fight with Frazier. But the fans had no complaint. That they saw Ali in action for 12 rounds was a matter of great satisfaction to them.

The scoring did not matter, but for the record:

Judge Lin Ti Chang, from Singapore, saw it 60-45; judge Leon Johannes, Indonesia, scored it 59-52; and judge Chris Schneider, West Germany, called it 60-42.

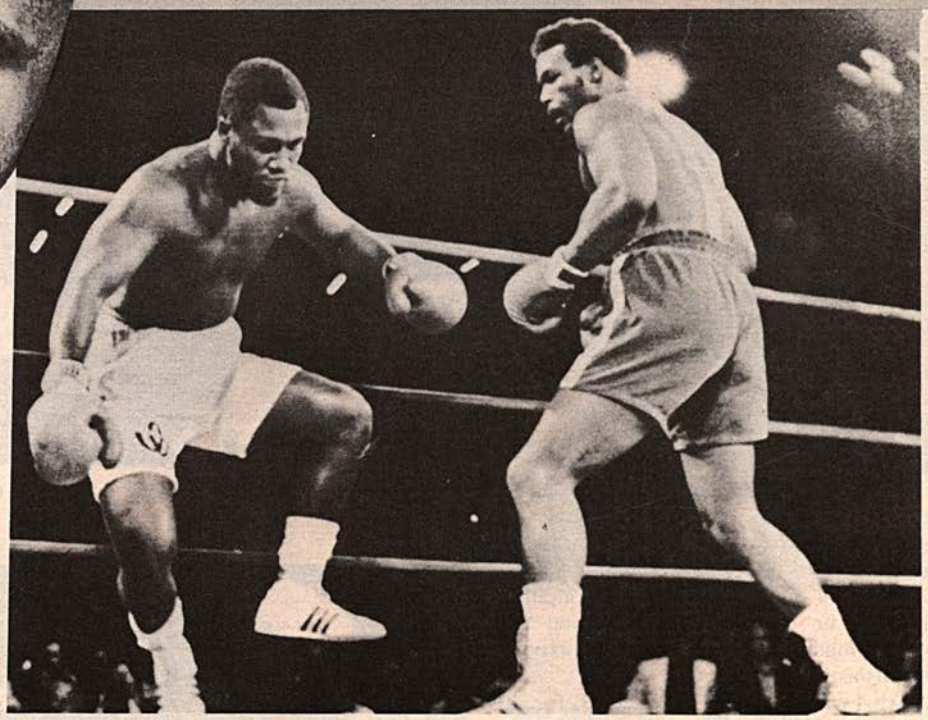
The referee, Enrique Jiminez, from Manila, did not do any scoring.

The reporters felt that if Lubbers had been asked to describe the last half dozen rounds he could not have done it. A few rights and it would have been all over about midway. However, Cassius always has been a man of compassion.



Muhammad fends off a right thrown by Lubbers. Ali won rather handily.

FOREMAN ALL-TIME KAYO KING AMONG HEAVY CHAMPIONS



George Foreman, the all-time Kayo King among heavyweight champions with 36 stoppages in 39 bouts. (Right) Foreman in the act of knocking out Joe Frazier in the second round of their Jamaica meeting in which George won the crown.

By GEORGE GIRSCH

AS time goes by (stolen from the song of the same name) there must inevitably be progress and change. Whether or not it is for the better must be left to the eye and mind of the beholder.

And so it is with the heavyweight knockout artists of the ring, the cynosures of which, of course, are the 25 champions from John L. Sullivan to George Foreman.

A few years ago I wrote a series for The Ring covering the KO Kings of each weight division. The monarch of the heavyweights turned out to be Rocky Marciano, the famed Brockton Blockbuster, who died a tragic death at an early age. That, however, was before Foreman ascended the heavyweight throne this past January via a two-round knockout of Joe Frazier, a result which shook the entire boxing world.

With the addition of Foreman as the 25th man to wear the heavyweight crown, it also becomes a fact that big George is the all-time KO King among those men who have held the title. His Knockout Percentage of .923, compiled on 36 knockouts in 39 bouts, boosts him ahead of Marciano, who stopped 43 of 49 opponents inside the limit for an .878 mark.

Of course, cold, harsh statistics do not always tell the whole story. They do not reflect the drama, the human side, the blood, the sweat and the tears that go into the forging of a result, whether it be in boxing or dressmaking. Then, again, that cold hard fact, the statistic of who won or lost is what they pay off on. They always have and always will. Nobody remembers—or cares—who finished second. It's not very new to reflect that the losers cry and the winners get paid.

There are those who maintain that even if Foreman has compiled this fantastic knockout record, he is far from a polished boxer and probably will never be one. Nevertheless, statistic-wise or not, Foreman hits like the kick of a mule. Ask Frazier or Joe King Roman, both of whom can still feel the punches.

In his 39 pro contests, Foreman has fought a total of 119 rounds, which averages out to slightly more than three rounds per outing. He has 11 one-round KOs; 12 two-round KOs; 6 three-round KOs; 4 four-round KOs; 1 five-round KO; 1 seven-round KO; and 1 ten-round KO.

The three men who have gone the full distance with him were Roberto Davila, eight rounds on October 31, 1969; Levi Forte, 10 rounds on December 16, 1969, and Gregorio Peralta, 10 rounds on February 16, 1970, the same evening that saw Frazier stop Jimmy Ellis in five rounds to gain universal recognition as heavyweight king. In a return match, Foreman stopped Peralta in the 10th round.

Among the knockout victims of the 25-year-old Foreman, a native of Marshall, Texas, have been Chuck Wepner, Jack O'Halloran, James J. Woody, George Johnson, George Chuvalo, Boone Kirkman, Luis Pires and Miguel Paez, in addition to Frazier and Roman.

While George's list of KO victims is not the most qualitative boxing has ever

seen, he nevertheless has done what he's been asked to do, and no one can do much more than that.

Marciano, now the runner-up to Foreman, was undefeated throughout his professional career which saw him stop 43 of 49 men. Rocky, whose career extended from 1947 through his retirement in April, 1956, halted Ezzard Charles, Don Cockell, Archie Moore, Roland LaStarza, Harry (Kid) Matthews, Rex Layne, Lee Savold and Freddie Beshore.

Perhaps Rocky's top KO feats were those over Joe Louis in eight, when the old Brown Bomber made his ill-fated comeback, and the winning of the heavyweight title from Jersey Joe Walcott in the 13th round, when it appeared that Walcott had the 1952 fight in hand over the bleeding Marciano.

Those whom Marciano failed to halt were Charles, in their first title meeting, Red Applegate, LaStarza, in their first meeting, Don Mogard and Ted Lowry twice.

Joe Frazier comes up third on the all-time KO listing with an .806 mark. In 1972, Frazier added two KOs to his escutcheon, over Terry Daniels and Ron Stander, but in '73, Joe was stopped by Foreman and decisioned Joe Bugner in London in 12 rounds.

Therefore Frazier now has 25 stoppages in 31 contests. The five who

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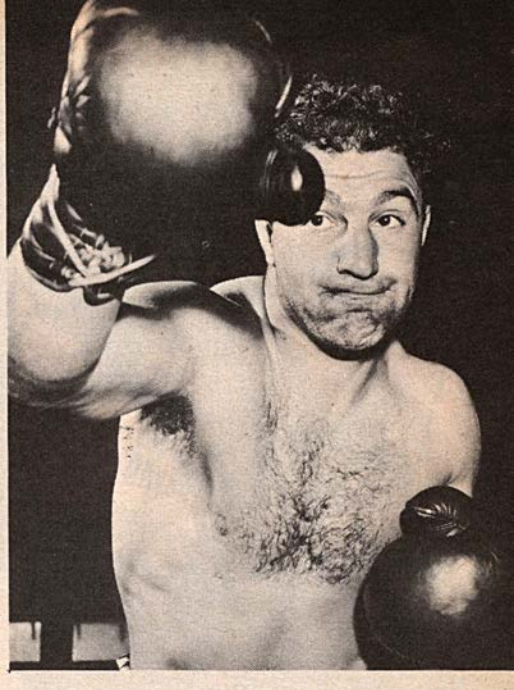


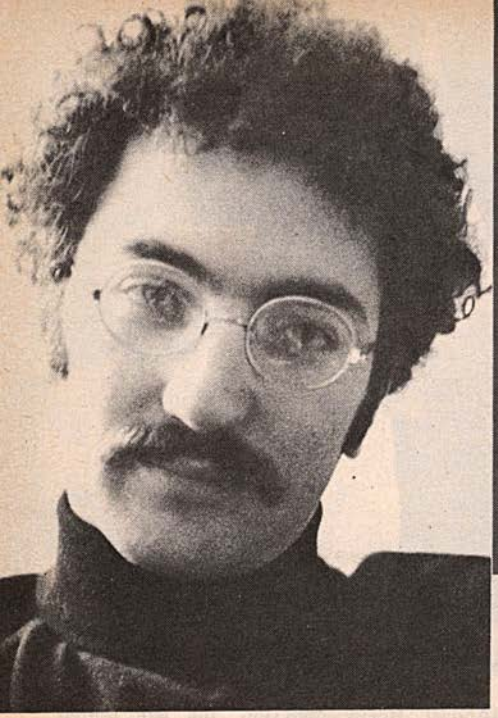
(Above) Rocky Marciano, the late retired undefeated heavyweight monarch who ranks second to Foreman with a KO percentage of .878. (Below) Joe Frazier, whose 25 knockouts in 32 contests puts him in third place among the 25 men who have held the heavyweight championship.

Foreman's 36 Knockouts Put Him 1st In All-Time Hit Parade

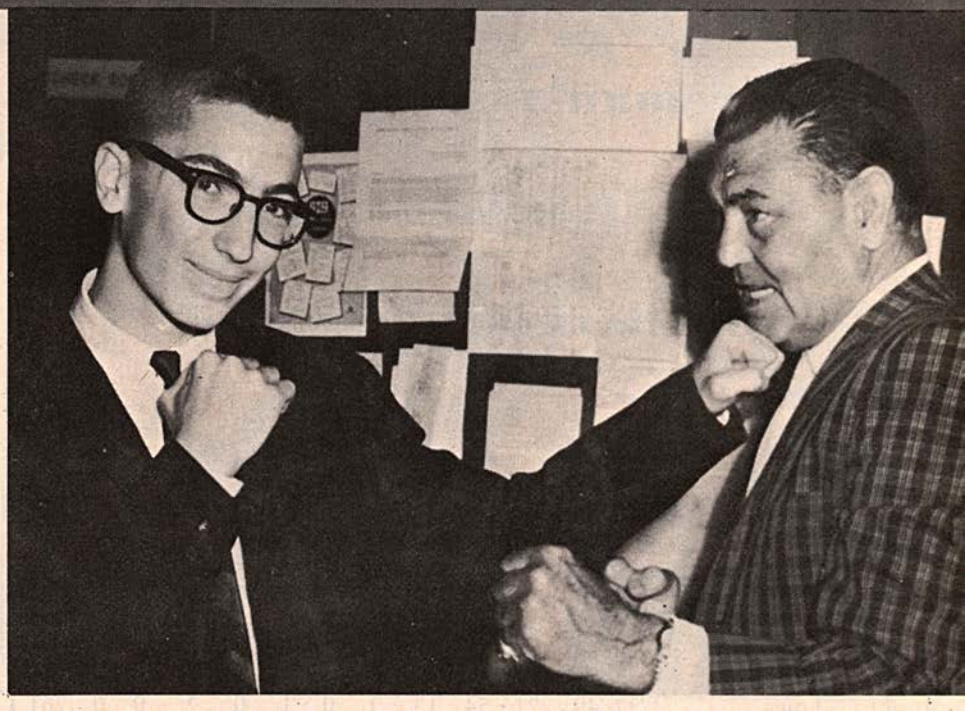
Rank	Champion	Reign	Total Bts	KOs	Won Dec.	Won Foul	Draw	Lost Dec	Lost Foul	KO By	No Dec	No Con	KO Pct
1	*Foreman	1973-	39	36	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.923
2	Marciano	'52-'56	49	43	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.878
3	*Frazier	'70-'73	31	25	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.806
4	Louis	'37-'49	71	54	13	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	.761
5	Liston	'62-'64	54	39	11	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	.722
6	Jeffries	'99-'04	23	16	4	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	.696
7	*Clay	'64-'70	45	31	12	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	.689
8	Carnera	'33-'34	99	66	18	2	0	5	1	6	0	1	.667
9	Baer	'34-'35	79	50	15	0	0	9	1	3	1	0	.633
10	*Patterson	'56-'59 '60-'62	64	40	15	0	1	3	0	5	0	0	.625
11	Johansson	'59-'60	28	17	8	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	.607
12	Dempsey	'19-'26	81	49	10	1	8	6	0	1	6	0	.605
13	Burns	'06-'08	60	36	10	0	8	4	0	1	1	0	.600
14	Fitzsimmons	'97-'99	41	23	5	0	1	0	1	6	5	0	.561
15	Willard	'15-'19	36	20	4	0	1	3	1	2	5	0	.556
16	Schmeling	'30-'32	71	39	14	3	5	5	0	5	0	0	.549
17	Tunney	'26-'28	76	41	14	1	1	1	0	0	17	1	.539
18	Charles	'49-'51	122	58	38	0	1	17	1	7	0	0	.475
19	Walcott	'51-'52	67	30	18	1	1	11	0	6	0	0	.448
20	Hart	'05-'06	48	20	4	5	4	3	0	4	8	0	.417
21	Johnson	'08-'15	113	44	30	4	14	1	1	5	14	0	.389
22	Braddock	'35-'37	85	26	25	0	3	20	0	2	7	2	.306
23tie	Corbett	'92-'97	33	9	11	0	6	1	1	3	2	0	.273
23tie	Sharkey	'32-'33	55	15	20	3	3	8	1	4	1	0	.273
25	Sullivan	'82-'92	75	16	15	0	3	0	0	1	40	0	.213

*Still active
(Includes two Foreman, two Frazier and four Clay bouts in 1973)

Philly "Boy Wonder" Peltz Made His Mark In College



Philadelphia promoter J. Russell Peltz ponders his next promotion.



As a 15-year-old, Peltz puts up his dukes against Jack Dempsey.

By LESTER BROMBERG

WHEN J. Russell Peltz, who then wasn't quite sure what he wanted to be, went to Temple University his well-to-do father played the traditional role.

He was set up fine, this freshman. He got a frat house residence, customary tuition and a $50 a week allowance. Pop is a Philadelphia plumbing contractor and meant the right thing for his boy. And he was a boy, just turned 19.

Russell, who entered the School of Journalism, began doubling as a sports reporter for the Bulletin newspaper.

The only money he spent of his own was for tuition. In his four years at Temple on the paper, where he specialized in boxing articles, he shocked his father by saving $14,000. . .Ye Gods! Most students wind up with a B.S. degree and $10,000 owed in a student loan.

Well, he had a degree and a job. And he had a burning desire to promote fights.

Why run fights? It was a puzzlement. In 1965 the fight game was from hunger, in Philadelphia, in New York, anywhere. Philly especially had just recovered from a year's moratorium from boxing. It had been ordered after the malodorous 'poisoned orange' knockout of Harold Johnson by Julio Mederos not too many years before.

"I can't trace my interest in fights to any one fight," Peltz, a quiet-spoken but firm-minded young man said, "I just had a feeling I wanted to get into boxing. Wanted to get into it somehow, I wanted to see what continuity in shows would do to the business. The promoters around were only running once a month or so and even I could tell them that wasn't good business. . .and they weren't listening to a fresh kid."

Of course, Bernard Peltz, his father, and Molly, his mother, were listening. To invest a little in their son's dream boat of being a fight promoter? Listen, he had to have some ideas to make out as a thrifty young man about the news room and the campus.

The writer recalls receiving fight clips from the Bulletin. "Interesting, he's persevering," I recall saying to somebody, "everytime I read an article by Peltz, I say: 'What keeps him going? There isn't enough action. And he's only second-string to Jack Fried, since retired. He sure loves the sport to stick to it.' "

The amalgamation of Peltz, Peltz and Peltz into a working promotional force took place. Bernard assured a bankroll and assumed some of the physical duties. Molly simply sold tickets.

The leave-taking of Russell and the Philadelphia Bulletin, after the four years required to acquire a degree in Journalism, occurred in the early fall of 1969. He left to avoid "a conflict of interest."

The precise details are not important, although it is something of a precedent that he was 22 years and three months when he became a promoter. It is possible that he was the youngest promoter ever in the state of Pennsylvania. He is currently 28 years old. He was born on Dec. 9, 1946.

His first promotion was at the Blue Horizon, a small club in south Philadelphia.

Here are the program covers from two fight cards promoted by Peltz at the Spectrum—Ron Lyle vs. Wendell Newton and the televised George Foreman vs. Joe King Roman.

It was Benny Briscoe, muscled Philadelphian, who had a local following, fighting a return with Tito Marshall, easy-moving Panamanian, on Sept. 30, 1969. The reason that they were boxing again—there always *has* to be a reason—was that Marshall beat Briscoe in a 10-rounder on Sept. 20, 1965.

It was the ultimate in luck. Briscoe, a top flight middleweight even then a bit inconsistent, was right on target. He scored a knockout of Marshall in the very first round.

With Bernard and Molly on duty, thank heavens, the box office did fine, too. The capacity, 1,500, was wrecked for a record. A total of 1,606 paid $6,010.

It was the first fight show of any kind in Philadelphia in four months—and, if you realize what a blow to culture in the city of William Penn this meant—well, you know your Philadelphia. What I'm trying to say is that it nearly always has been a great fight town. For some reason the Philly fight fan has been intensely responsive to *good* fights.

Perhaps that may have been behind Peltz' reasoning—Treat your people right. Don't throw garbage at them. Anyway, it was a sort of a "Hello Dolly" welcome to the old customers. They went home happy even if the feature didn't last one round.

Peltz made things hum. He ran 15 shows the first season, introducing such fighters as Cyclone Hart, Willie (The Worm) Monroe, and Boogaloo Watts. He brought back such as Briscoe, Leotis Martin, Joe Shaw and George Benton.

He went Gang Busters the next season, running 13 Blue Horizon cards, four big ones. He really was expanding.

Somewhere along the line Peltz acquired an interesting mustache which did something in maturity for a boy promoter and about two years ago he took time off from business to get married.

She was an attractive girl whom he met while attending Temple. Her name is Patricia McKeown. Now Patricia is not Mrs. Peltz, I'll have you know. She's Women's Lib. Don't smile when you say that if you know what's good for you. She has cut out a career for herself. She has been a worker at the Norristown Mental Institution. Newspaper-trained, she can handle any writing job of first rank. Anything available? Pat and Russell live in the Roxborough section of Philadelphia. She is not interested in boxing, not in the least; wouldn't be caught alive at a show—yet.

Incidentally, the J. initial to his name means nothing. "My father put it on," he said, "sounded dignified. Just call me Russell."

Rather early in his promotional career Peltz didn't need his parents to work the fights. They came, nevertheless. They were proud of the young man. His father retained a financial interest, backing shows. Also his brother-in-law, Arnold Weiss, has acquired a piece of Benny Briscoe, in whose career he has understandably maintained a growing concern.

In fact, if anybody was labeled J. Russell Peltz' fighter, it would have to be Briscoe. Don't misunderstand now. There is no contractural relationship between them, Mr. Commissioner. But he is constantly looking after the fighter. He's increasing Briscoe's earnings, seeing to it that he is advancing himself towards the middleweight championship.

Briscoe, who came up from Augusta, Ga., as a youth, has been knocking around boxing since 1962. He was handled by promoters and promoters, used might be the proper word. He is 30 years old, which makes him only a few years older than Peltz. At a guess, I'd have to say he has been lucky ever since

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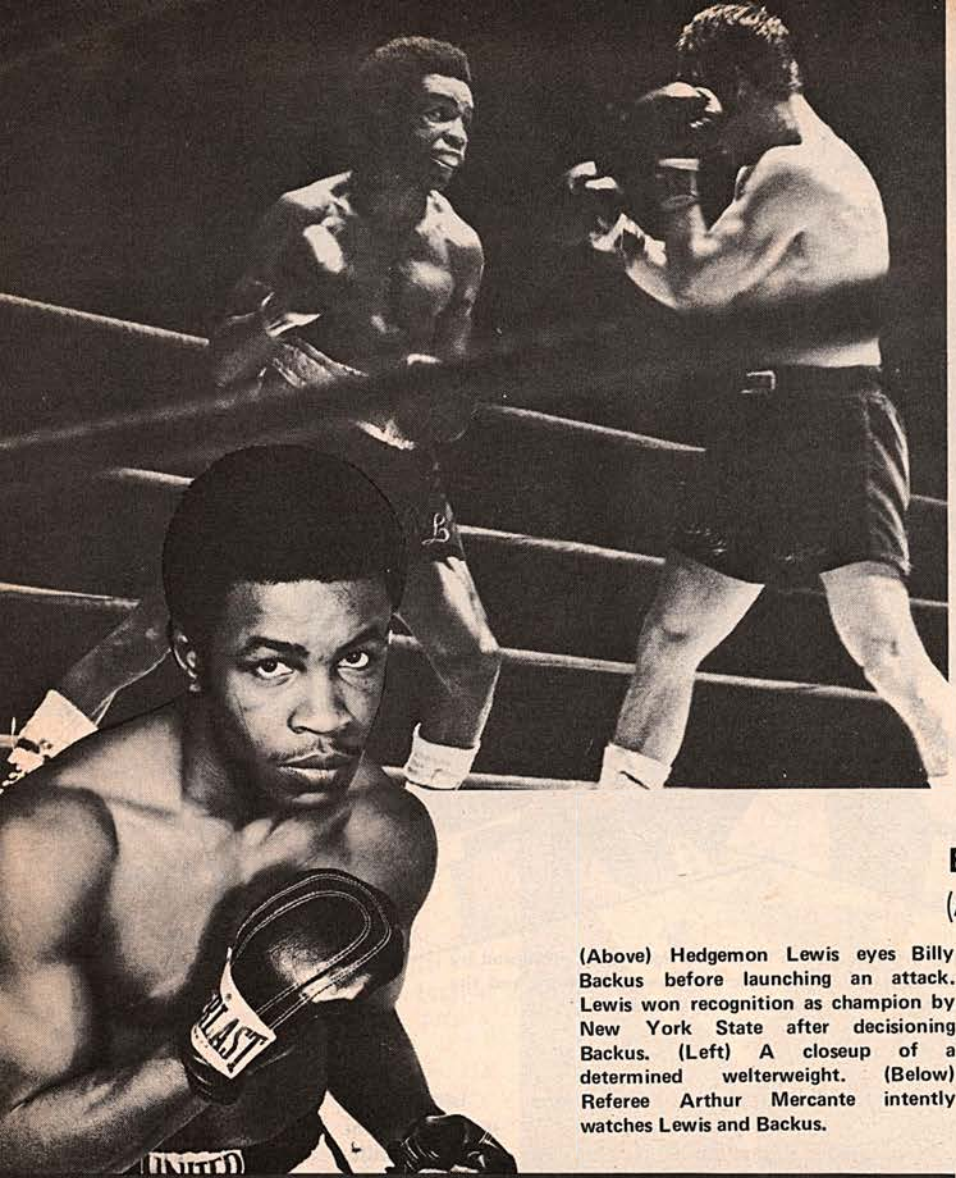
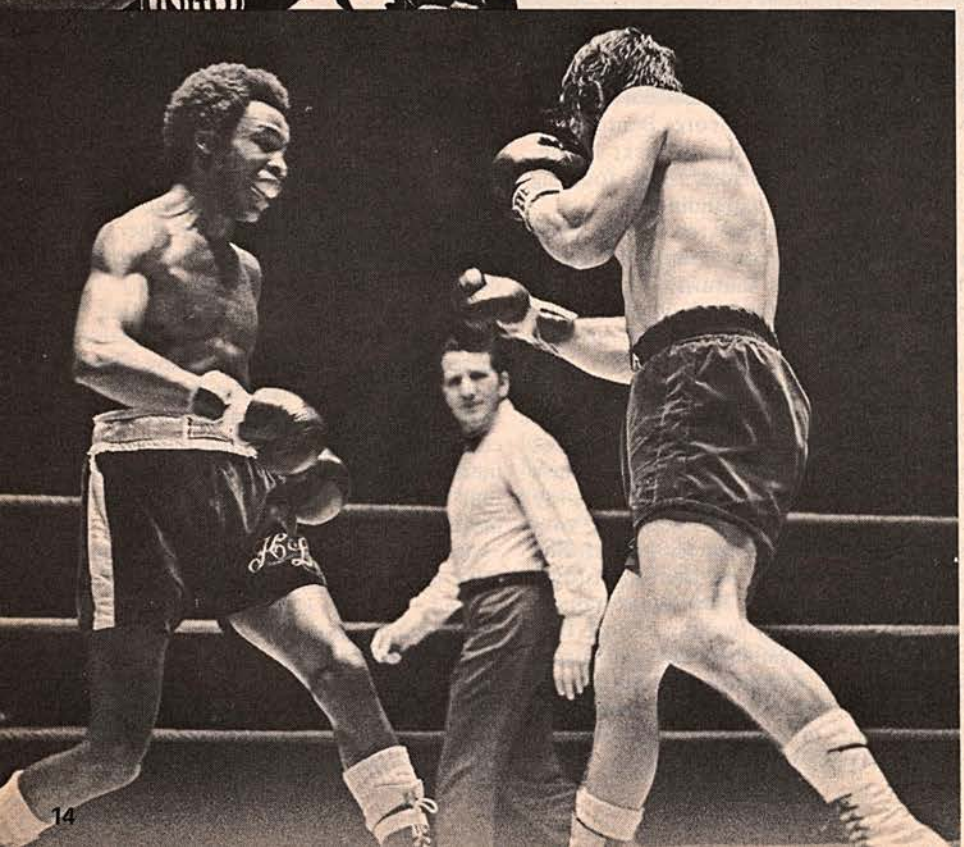
"I'M THE GREATEST WELTER BUT CAN'T GET ANY FIGHTS" --- LEWIS

By HEDGEMON LEWIS
(AS TOLD TO BOB GOODMAN)





(Above) Hedgemon Lewis eyes Billy Backus before launching an attack. Lewis won recognition as champion by New York State after decisioning Backus. (Left) A closeup of a determined welterweight. (Below) Referee Arthur Mercante intently watches Lewis and Backus.

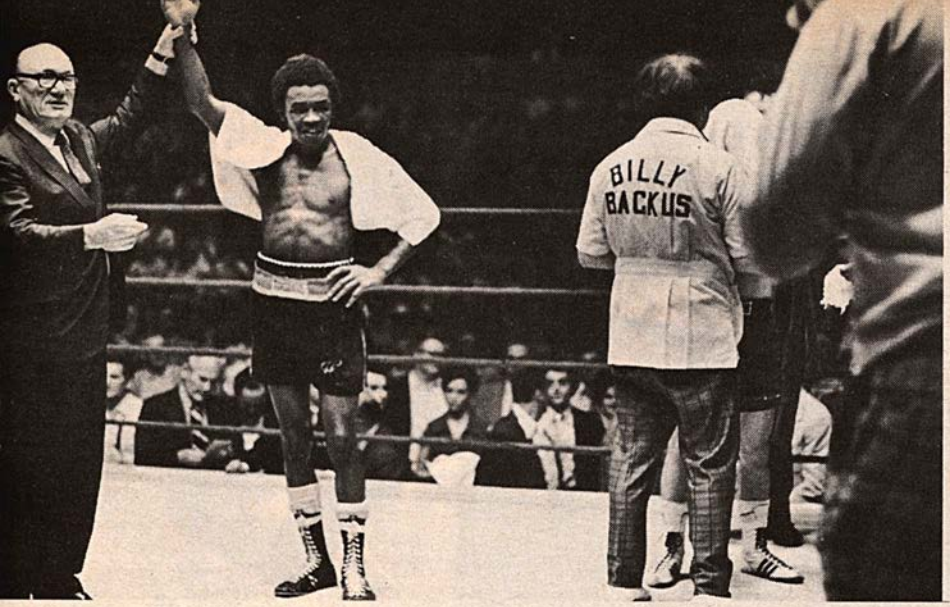
WHEN I started to do this piece, I was apprehensive because I never want to get anyone mad at me. There are things that are better left unsaid. But I just felt it was about time I brought my feelings out in the open.

I've always wanted to be known as a great fighter. To some day be mentioned as a welterweight in the same breath with Ray Robinson. It hasn't been easy for the past year and a half. I hoped that things would improve. But they haven't.

I want to know why I haven't been permitted to work? I want to know why I haven't been allowed to perform for the people? I want to show what I can do. I want to show that I can do it better than anyone else in the world.

About two years ago, December 14, 1971 to be exact, I fought Jose Napoles for the world welterweight title. The Coast Forum had a virtual sellout for the fight and couldn't have been happier with the promotion. It was a good fight. It was a close fight. I pushed Napoles to the decision route with the scores 8-7, 8-6 and 9-4. Nine of 15 ringside reporters thought that I won the fight.

Regardless of the outcome, since you can't cry over spilt milk, I certainly proved that I belong in there with Napoles, who is a great one. The headlines in the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner the next day read very boldly, "Lewis Deserves Rematch!" I'm still waiting.



Lewis is declared the winner over Backus and gets recognition by the Empire State as world titleholder.

I'm respected as the number one contender by everyone's ratings, yet I have not been able to get Jose Napoles back in the ring. When he hears my name, he throws his hands up as if he doesn't understand, no matter what language you're talking.

It's not only Napoles that won't fight me. None of the top contenders wants any part of me. It would seem to me that they would want to fight the number one contender so that they can climb up to my spot. How do they expect to get to the title without fighting the number one man? Many others, including Clyde Gray, from Canada, who is either number two or three behind me, got title shots without having to meet me for the right. I just can't understand it.

What are the functions of the World Boxing Association and the World Boxing Council? How can they let their champion avoid their number one contender? I've been number one for quite some time. I have beaten everyone I faced since Napoles, including Billy Backus twice, the last time for the New York State welterweight championship. I've done everything asked of me but cannot get anyone to take action. If the WBA is not aware of this situation, then I want to respectfully call the injustice to their attention. If they are aware of the situation, then I plead with them for immediate action.

I'm just a little confused as to why I can't get fights. I am not a killer, a knockout puncher who knocks a guy dead with one lethal blow. I don't bust anybody up. Heck, when a man gets done fighting me, he can come back and fight the next week. I have always been considered a colorful fighter both in and out of the ring. I know how to talk and help a promotion in any way possible. Fights I've been connected with have always done good business. I cooperate in every aspect and have never created any problems for promoters or matchmakers.

I worked hard, very hard, to get here. Now I can't even make a decent living in my profession. I'm from Los Angeles now and can't even get fights in my own area, where there are three good promoters within a 100 mile radius running regular shows. Aileen Eaton runs weekly at the Olympic, Mickey Davies runs bi-monthly in San Diego and the larger spot shows run regularly at the Forum with Don Fraser in charge. I have good relations with all of them. They all like my manager and trainer, Eddie Futch, but the phone doesn't ring. There must be a place somewhere for the top contender in the world?

Along with Eddie Futch, Ryan O'Neal, Robert Goulet, Bill Cosby and Chris Connolly, all great show business personalities, act as co-managers. There isn't anyone in boxing who doesn't admire and respect Eddie, but we can't budge anyone. You wouldn't believe some of the reasons we get turned down for from promoters all over the world.

"Small guys don't draw well," "Black guys don't draw well," "Hedge has too much class," "He's already beaten everyone," "Let's give these kids another year before Hedge." The excuses are endless.

I can see the California promoters not wanting me to knock off their Mexican talent like Armando Muniz. That's just good business and I'm a big boy and can accept it. But you reach a stage where they are going to have to prove themselves against the best and I'll be there waiting.

"Indian Red" Lopez wants no part of me anymore. The only thing that hurts is that they're all able to get work on a regular basis at their profession in their hometown while I am not. I want to see everyone make a living and I'm happy for them but it's hard to swallow.

I will fight anyone! I'm the most feared welterweight in the world! It's about time I spoke out. I don't want to look like a cry baby, I'm just telling it straight. Exactly what is expected of me, I don't know. We will do whatever is necessary. Anything to get fights. Anything to make a living.

I have been eager to please everyone in boxing and don't plan any changes in the future. I love my profession and have tremendous respect for my peers but it's time for some changes. It's time for something positive to be done in boxing where champions are forced to meet the number one contender within a reasonable period of time.

I know I'll be the welterweight champion some day but it's important to me that I get there by beating Napoles. I don't want to win it by default. I hope to be remembered as a great fighter some day and the only way that will happen is

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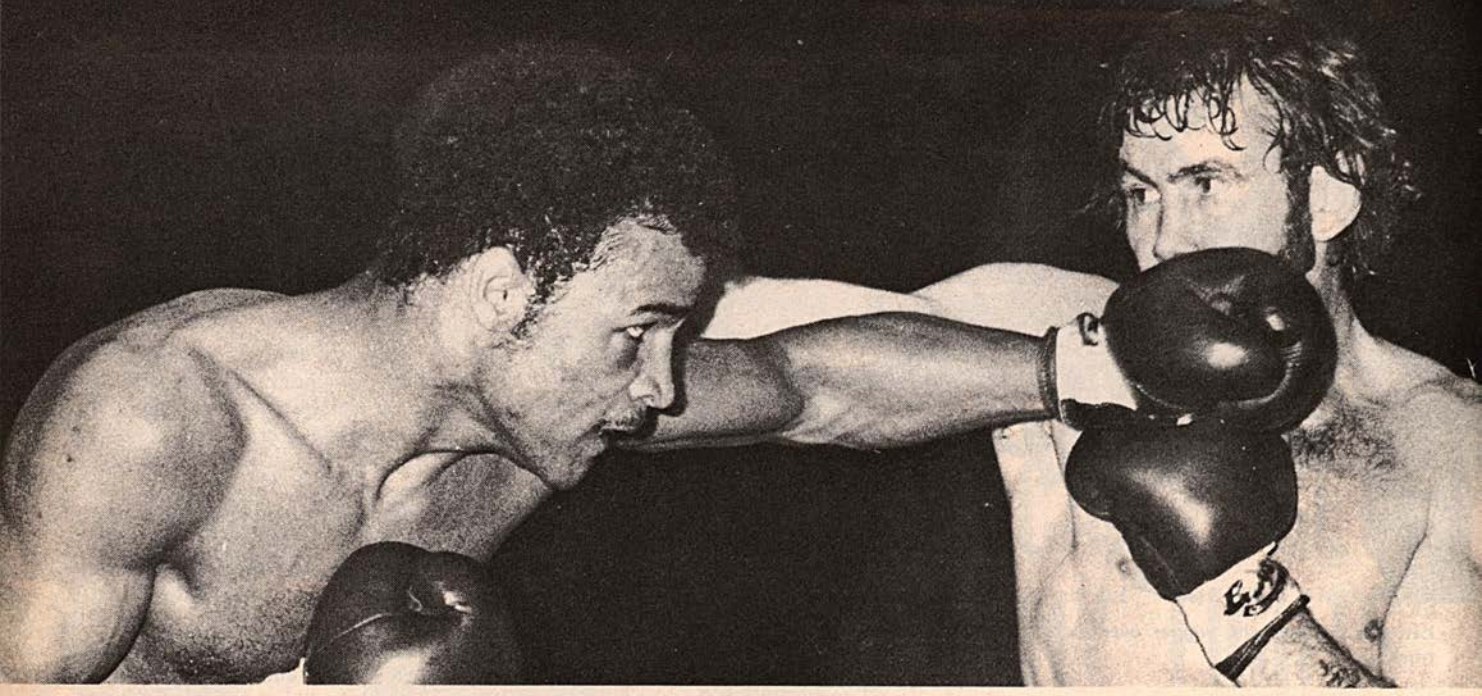
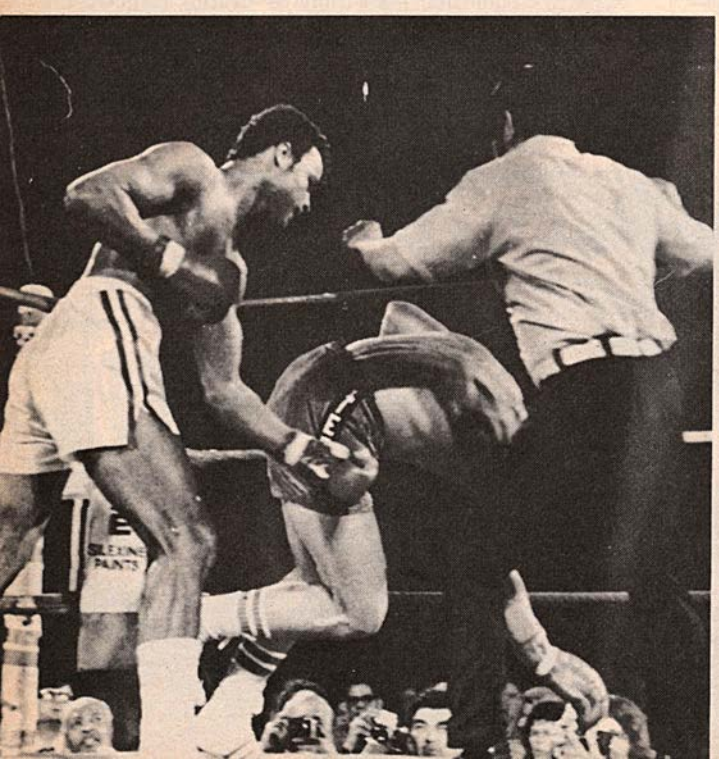
Hedgemon along with one of his co-managers, actor Ryan O'Neal.



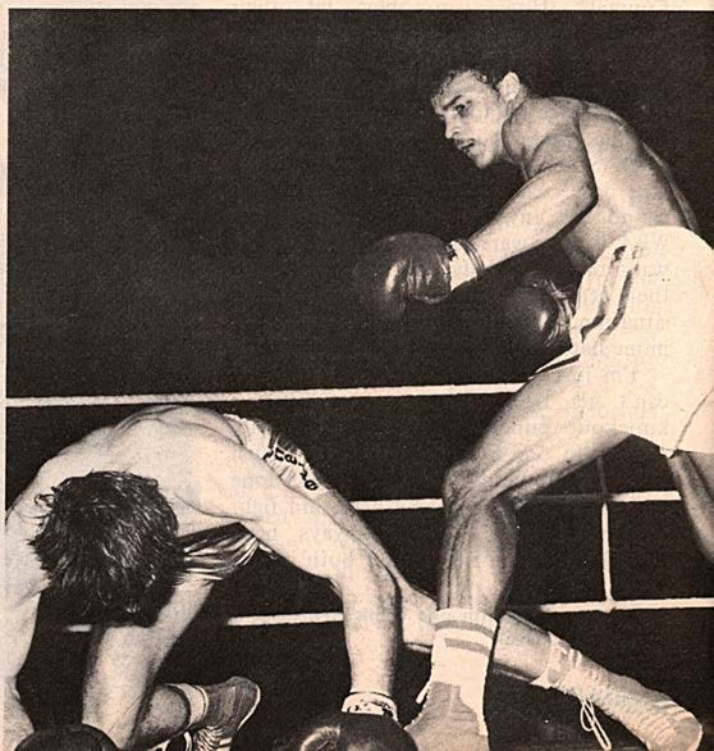
John Conteh slams a hard left to the chin of Chris Finnegan, whom he outpointed in 15 rounds to capture the British, Commonwealth and European light heavyweight titles.

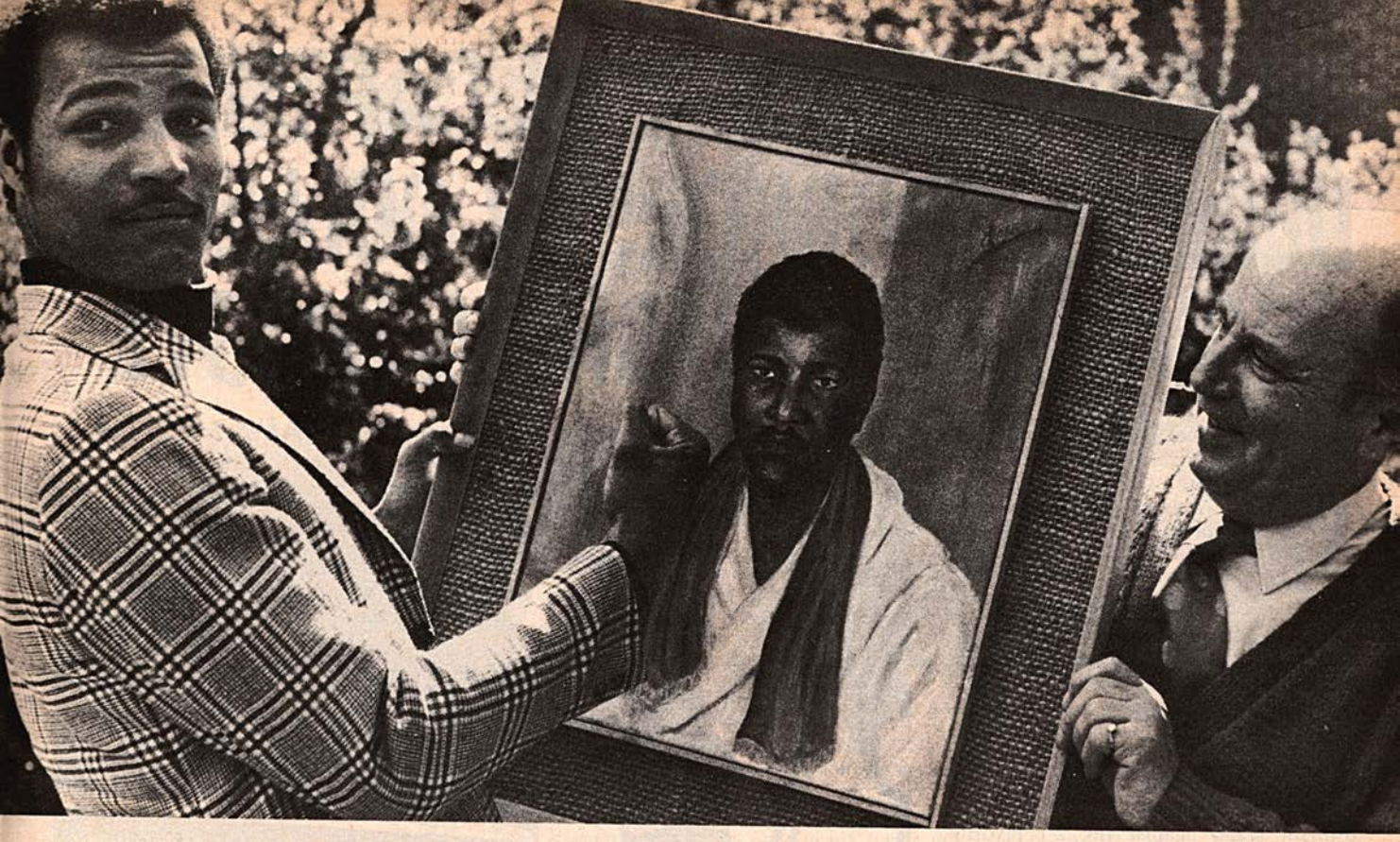
BRITAIN'S CONTEH ZOOMS INTO WORLD SPOTLIGHT

Conteh in the act of knocking out Terry Daniels at Las Vegas, Nevada.



Another of Conteh's KO victims was Germany's Rudiger Schmidtke.





Conteh shakes a fist at a portrait of himself, painted by Gideon Kolb, in the garden of the latter's home in London.

By RON OLVER

LONDON, ENGLAND – In September, 1972, British fans at Wembley Pool were raving about the performance of their light heavyweight champion, Chris Finnegan, who had given Bob Foster one of the hardest fights of his career.

"Good old Chris," they cheered. "He's done Britain proud."

Which was perfectly true. Finnegan had put up the fight of his life. But it didn't alter the fact that he had been knocked out in the 14th round, and that courage and skill alone were not enough against such an outstanding champion like Foster.

Chris was still British and Commonwealth titleholder, and there didn't seem anyone in his division likely to dethrone him.

That is, until the unexpected appearance of John Conteh.

Unexpected, because up to then Conteh had been operating as a heavyweight, and had even been nominated by the British Boxing Board of Control to meet Les Stevens in an official eliminating contest for the British title.

The decision for John to move into the 175-pound class was made by his manager, George Francis, and then only after a great deal of thought.

After turning professional, Conteh had gradually put on weight until he was around the 182 mark. On the principle that it is almost never wise to try and boil down a fighter, George thought it best for him to meet heavyweights, always in the hope that John would put on another stone by natural means.

He had a good appetite and was a growing lad, so there was every reason for believing this would happen. But it didn't. As time went on, with John invariably conceding a lot of poundage to guys who looked like giants in comparison, George decided to take stock of the situation.

Not that John wasn't doing well. On the contrary. He had won 17 of his first 18 bouts, 15 inside schedule. This was all right at this particular stage of his career. But what about later on, when he would be required to tackle not only big men, but world-class opponents?

The decision was made after John had gone to Las Vegas and stopped Terry Daniels, who not so long previous was fighting Joe Frazier for the World title.

"That's your last contest as a heavyweight," George told John. "We'll see how you do in the lighter division."

But could he make 175 and remain strong? His diet was adjusted, his training schedule adapted to meet the new requirements, and George was satisfied. So John was withdrawn from his heavyweight eliminator, a proposed fight aginst Jimmy Ellis at Wembley was also called off, and a top light heavyweight was sought.

Mike Quarry was the name they came up with, but he'd just got married and wasn't interested. Then it was that matchmaker Mickey Duff had a brainstorm. Why not start at the top? So he went after European cruiser champion Rudi Schmidtke, of Germany, who had won the title by beating Chris Finnegan on a nose injury.

The money was right, Schmidtke was willing to make a voluntary defense of his title, and the fight was arranged, much to the disgust of Finnegan and Roy John. They were meeting each other on the same bill for Chris's British and Commonwealth crowns.

The move was a logical one. If Conteh beat Schmidtke, then the winner of the Finnegan-John fight would be the next in line, with three titles at stake.

Conteh did win. So did Finnegan. In his next contest John and Chris were paired, also at Wembley. After an outstanding contest, Conteh won on points, just five days before his 22nd birthday.

John got $70,000 for the Finnegan fight, and now lives in a

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WHO WON? HERRERA CAPTURES DECISION, BORKORSOR COLLECTS POINTS IN CALIFORNIA BATTLE

By DON FRASER

INGLEWOOD, CALIF. – Venice Borkorsor didn't become the first Thai to win the WBC bantamweight title, but never will anyone come closer without winning it.

Borkorsor battered both of Rafael Herrera's eyes and rocked him several times, yet lost a split, 15-round decision at The Forum. Although most of the 12,200 fans were Herrera partisans, there were more boos than cheers when the verdict was announced.

The little southpaw from Thailand won the hearts of Los Angeles fans with a brilliant stand against the 2-1 favorite, getting up from a seventh-round knockdown to score repeatedly with left hooks which often left Herrera staggering around the ring.

At the finish Borkorsor, faster with his hands and quicker with his feet, was virtually unmarked, while Herrera was trying to peer out of eyes swollen almost shut.

His right eye was in bad shape as early as the fourth round, while in the eighth a bump nearly the size of a golf ball appeared under the right eye.

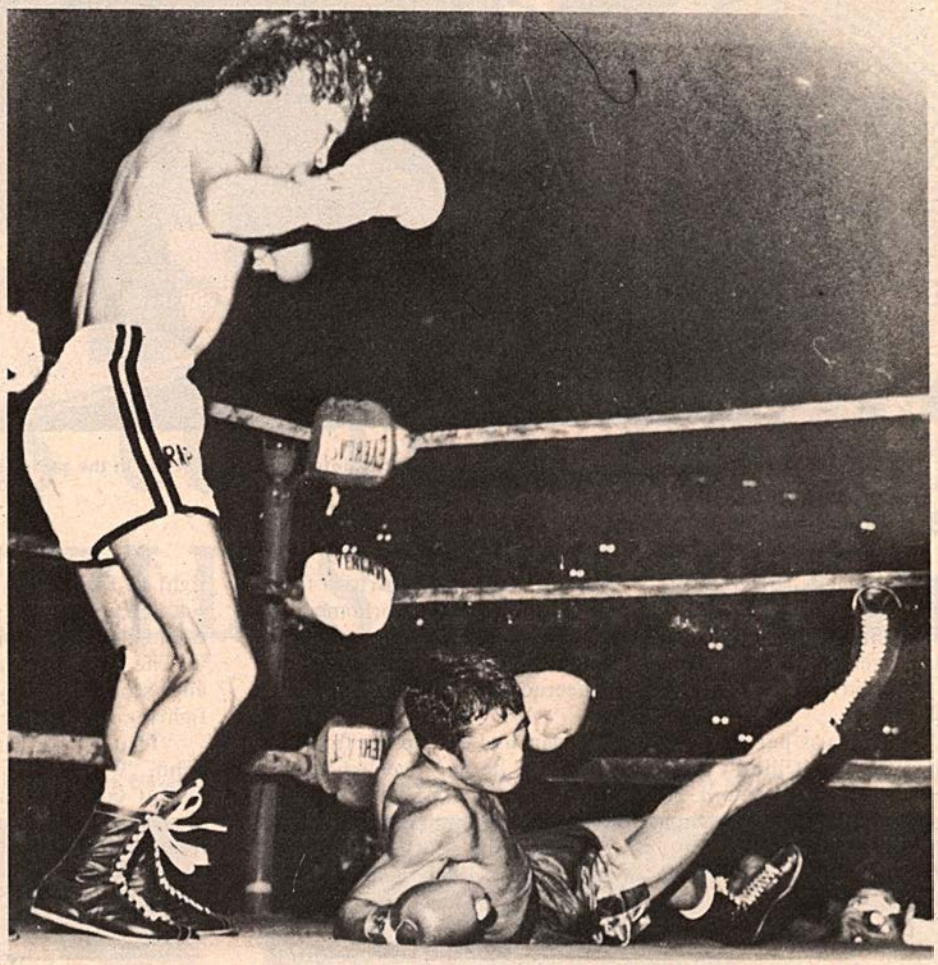
It was a sizzling battle with Herrera prevailing in the middle rounds and Borkorsor opening and finishing strong. It was such a well-contested affair that referee Larry Rozadilla did not have to break a clinch until the 11th round.

In two other top fights, Hedgemon Lewis and Bobby Chacon scored impressive victories. Chacon, 128, knocked out Jose Luis Del Campo, 127¾, at 0:46 of the ninth round. Lewis, 145½, scored a one-sided 10-round decision over Chucho Garcia, 148¼.

Borkorsor was penalized a point in the 13th round for butting, but even with that point he would not have won on the cards of Rozadilla and judge Rudy Jordan.

Using the 10-point must system under World Boxing Council rules, Rozadilla scored it 143-141 and Jordan 144-142 in favor of the champion, while judge Chuck Hassett favored Borkorsor, 145-141.

The Times also had Borkorsor ahead, 144-143, and the Associated Press favored him, 143-141.



Rafael Herrera of Mexico sends Venice Borkorsor of Thailand to the canvas in the seventh round of their contest at the Inglewood Forum. Herrera won via a split decision after 15 rounds.

The penalty and the knockdown saved Herrera's title. He had lost four or five of the first six rounds to the clever southpaw. Just before the end of a close seventh round, Herrera threw a short, holting left hook. Borkorsor spun around and went down. When he arose he was wobbling, but there were only 10 seconds left in the round.

It took three more rounds for Borkorsor to recover from the knockdown and it appeared after the 10th that Herrera was in command.

But then Borkorsor, almost exclusively a one-handed fighter, found the range again with his left hand. Sometimes he would throw a roundhouse, other times a deadly hook and then a straight left. Many found the target–Herrera's eyes, mostly.

The 14th was Borkorsor's biggest round. He staggered Herrera repeatedly and the champ was spent when the round ended. He summoned a new burst of energy in the final round and it was even.

In the early rounds Borkorsor danced all around Herrera, the plodder with the heavier punch, stinging him with bristling lefts. The Thai, who had more than 1,000

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Villaflor Regains Crown

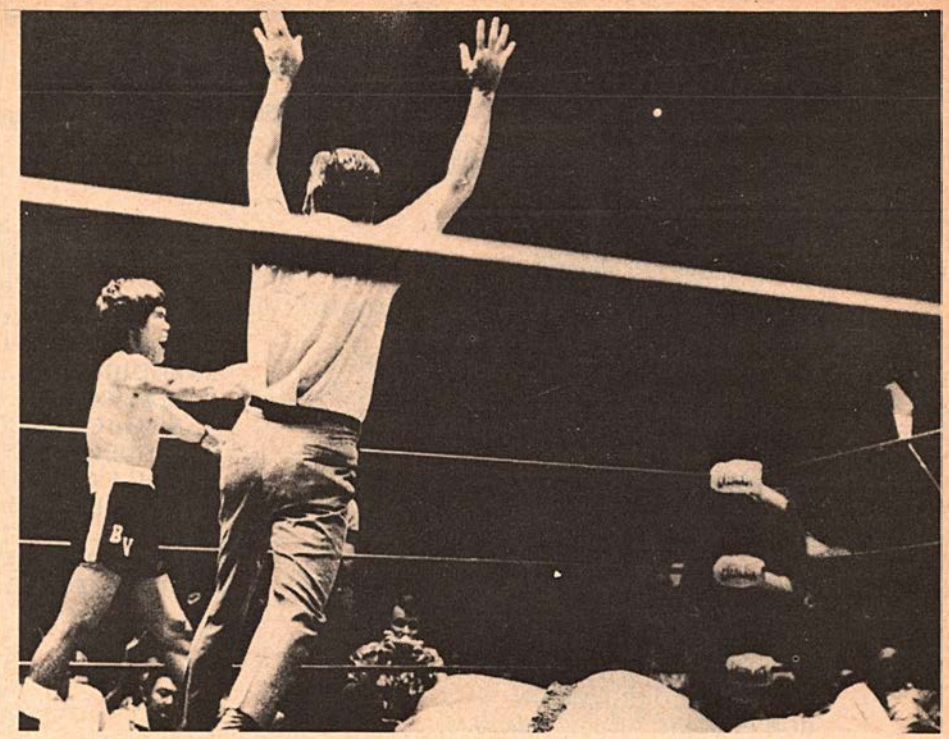
By TED YAMACHIKA

HONOLULU, HAWAII – Last March Ben Villaflor, from the Philippines, caused quite a stir in fistic circles by losing the junior lightweight title to Kuniaki Shibata, of Japan.

Kuniaki is a southpaw and that fact appeared to be the big reason for Villaflor's defeat.

Villaflor asked for a rematch and the promoter and Shibata were only too glad to sign up for a house-filler.

When they fought again, Villaflor had spent a lot of time becoming familiar with southpaw opposition. The opening bell rang, the Filipino dashed from his corner and before Shibata could say Lillioukilani, he was lying on the deck, counted out, his title gone.



The referee signals it's all over as Ben Villaflor emits shouts of joy after he knocked out Kuniaki Shibata in the first round to regain the world junior lightweight title from the Japanese in Honolulu.

No sooner had Shibata opened his eyes than he demanded a third match.

There is a strong chance that the third meeting of Shibata and Villaflor will take place in Tokyo.

When Villaflor was asked if he would give Shibata a chance to recover the title

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Old Man Jofre Batters Saldivar To KO In Four

By CARLOS HENRIQUEZ

SALVADOR, BRAZIL – Having knocked out comeback Vicente Salvador, of Mexico, former world champion, in the fourth round of what was to have been a 15-round contest, Eder Jofre, who is recognized as the world featherweight titleholder by the WBC, demands full recognition by the WBA and the Ring Magazine.

As Jofre was born in March, 1936, he is 37 years of age. The legion of the retired should have claimed him long since. He started his professional career in 1957.

Jofre's fistic longevity is one of the most remarkable in the history of glove fighting.

That he has been fighting for so long a time is not traceable to monetary considerations. He is a man of wealth. But he also is a man of pride and with all

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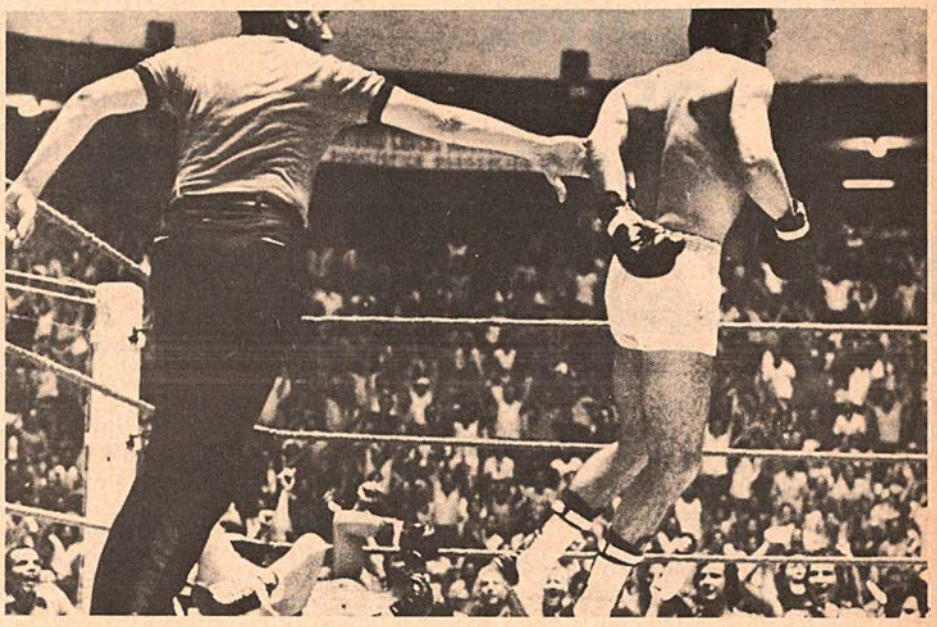


36-year-old Eder Jofre heads for a neutral corner after halting Vicente Saldivar for the full count in the fourth round of their meeting in Salvador, Brazil.

WORLD RATINGS

By NAT LOUBET

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
GEORGE FOREMAN, Hayward, Calif.
1–MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY), Cherry Hill, N.J.
2–JOE FRAZIER, Philadelphia, Pa.
3–KEN NORTON, San Diego, Calif.
4–JERRY QUARRY, Los Angeles, Calif.
5–RON LYLE, Denver, Colo.
6–EARNIE SHAVERS, Warren, Ohio
7–OSCAR BONAVENA, Argentina
8–JOE BUGNER, England
9–JIMMY ELLIS, Louisville, Ky.
10–CHUCK WEPNER, Bayonne, N.J.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BOB FOSTER, Albuquerque, N.M.
1–JOHN CONTEH, England
2–LEN HUTCHINS, Detroit, Mich.
3–VICTOR GALINDEZ, Argentina
4–PIERRE FOURIE, South Africa
5–TOM BOGS, Denmark
6–MAXIE SMITH, England
7–BOBBY CASSIDY, Brentwood, N.Y.
8–CHRIS FINNEGAN, England
9–JIMMY DUPREE, Jersey City, N.J.
10–RICHIE KATES, Philadelphia, Pa.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS MONZON, Argentina
1–TONY MUNDINE, Australia
2–RODRIGO VALDEZ, Colombia
3–JEAN-CLAUDE BOUTTIER, France
4–BENNIE BRISCOE, Philadelphia, Pa.
5–MIGUEL de OLIVIERA, Brazil
6–EMILE GRIFFITH, New York, N.Y.
7–KOICHI WAJIMA, Japan
8–TONY LICATA, New Orleans, La.
9–CHARKEY RAMON, Australia
10–LUIS FABRE, Brazil

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 146 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE NAPOLES, Mexico
1–ANGEL ESPADA, Puerto Rico
2–HEDGEMON LEWIS, Detroit, Mich.
3–CLYDE GRAY, Canada
4–ROGER MENETREY, France
5–EDDIE PERKINS, Chicago, Ill.
6–FAUSTO RODRIGUEZ, Dominican Rep.
7–JOHN STRACEY, England
8–HORACIO SALDANO, Argentina
9–VERNON MASON, Baltimore, Md.
10–JACK TILLMAN, New Orleans, La.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ANTONIO CERVANTES, Colombia
1–BRUNO ARCARI, Italy
2–ALFONSO FRAZER, Panama
3–MIGUEL BARRETO, Puerto Rico
4–ROGER ZAMI, France
5–TONI ORTIZ, Spain
6–HECTOR THOMPSON, Australia
7–CARLOS GIMENEZ, Argentina
8–VICTOR ORTIZ, Puerto Rico
9–MARIO GUILLOTI, Argentina
10–JOHNNY GANT, Washington, D.C.

BEN VILLAFLOR FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

PICKING the Fighter of the Month for this issue of The Ring involved little argument since there were so few bouts which presented sufficiently strong candidates. The choice ultimately fell on Ben Villaflor, from the Philippines, challenger for the junior lightweight title.

Ben gained the month's top accolade with one solid punch. He knocked out Kuniaki Shibata, who had won the junior lightweight championship from Villaflor. Ben insisted that turnaround was only fair play.

Immediately after the opening bell, Villaflor cut loose with a combination and the Japanese fighter passed out of the picture.

Muhammad Ali (Cassius Clay) was one of the candidates for Fighter of the Month, on the basis of a 15 round decision over Rudi Lubbers, of Holland. But Cassius soon fell out of the running as the affair with the Dutchman was not very impressive.

A stronger candidate than Ali showed up in Rafael Herrera, of Mexico, the No. 1 contender for the bantam title for his showing in the contest with Venice Borkorsor, of Thailand.

Borkorsor made his debut as a bantamweight and the contest was a hectic one.

The ratings for the month reveal a change in the identity of the No. 1 contender for George Foreman's world title.

The Ring committee demoted Joe Frazier as the top contender for the world championship and substituted Ali, moving Frazier to the No. 2 spot.

The revised ratings of the heavyweights now look like this: 1, Muhammad Ali; 2, Joe Frazier; 3, Ken Norton; 4, Jerry Quarry; 5, Ron Lyle; 6, Earnie Shavers; 7, Oscar Bonavena; 8, Joe Bugner; 9, Jimmy Ellis; 10, Chuck Wepner.

Revised ratings of the light heavies show a big lift for Maxie Smith who jumped from No. 9 to 6. Smith is British.

News from abroad that Schmidtke, of Germany, had given

RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING NOVEMBER 15, 1973

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ROBERTO DURAN, Panama
1–ESTEBAN DeJESUS, Puerto Rico
2–KEN BUCHANAN, Scotland
3–JIMMY HEAIR, Los Angeles, Calif.
4–RAY LAMPKIN, Portland, Ore.
5–RODOLFO GONZALEZ, Long Beach, Calif.
6–HUGO GUTIERREZ, Argentina
7–ANDRIES STEYN, South Africa
8–OULD MAKLOUFI, France
9–ANTONIO PUDDU, Italy
10–SHINICHO KADOTA, Japan

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BEN VILLAFLOR, Philippines
1–KUNIAKI SHIBATA, Japan
2–SAMMY GOSS, Trenton, N.J.
3–LOTHAR ABEND, Germany
4–ALFREDO ESCALERA, Puerto Rico
5–ALFREDO MARCANO, Venezuela
6–RICARDO ARREDONDO, Mexico
7–VICTOR ECHEGARAY, Argentina
8–LOVE ALLOTEY, Ghana
9–ARTURO PINEDA, Mexico
10–JESUS ALONSO, Mexico

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT
1–EDER JOFRE, Brazil
2–ERNESTO MARCEL, Panama
3–DANNY LOPEZ, Los Angeles, Calif.
4–ART HAFEY, Canada
5–LIONEL HERNANDEZ, Venezuela
6–RUBEN OLIVARES, Mexico
7–BOBBY CHACON, Los Angeles, Calif.
8–JOSE LEGRA, Spain
9–SANTOS LUIS RIVERA, Puerto Rico
10–ANTONIO (GITANO) JIMENEZ, Spain

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ARNOLD TAYLOR, South Africa
1–ROMEO ANAYA, Mexico
2–RAFAEL HERRERA, Mexico
3–VENICE BORKORSOR, Thailand
4–BENICO SOSA, Argentina
5–JOHNNY CLARK, England
6–PAUL FERRERI, Australia
7–RODOLFO MARTINEZ, Mexico
8–JOSE CASAS, Argentina
9–BENNY RODRIGUEZ, Los Angeles, Calif.
10–FRANCISCO VILLEGAS, Puerto Rico

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT
1–BETULIO GONZALEZ, Venezuela
2–CHARTCHAI CHIONOI, Thailand
3–MIGUEL CANTO, Mexico
4–HENRY NISSEN, Australia
5–FRITZ CHERVET, Switzerland
6–TONY MORENO, San Antonio, Texas
7–ERBITO SALVARRIA, Philippines
8–COSTENITO MORALES, Mexico
9–SUSUMU HANAGATA, Japan
10–VICENTE POOL, Mexico

Pierre Fourie, of South Africa, a beating not being substantiated by the decision, Fourie has been retained as the No. 4 man.

The new ratings of the middleweights show Jean Claude Bouttier, of France, fined one spot for his defeat by Carlos Monzon, the world champion.

Tony Mundine remains the No. 1 middleweight challenger with Rodrigo Valdez No. 2.

Luis Fabre shows up in No. 10. He is from Brazil, a new man in the ratings.

The welter ratings have been scrambled, with Vernon Mason, of Baltimore, showing up in No. 9 and Jack Tillman dropped to No. 10.

The featherweight and flyweight ratings remain open. The titles must be won in the ring on the basis of solid achievement.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

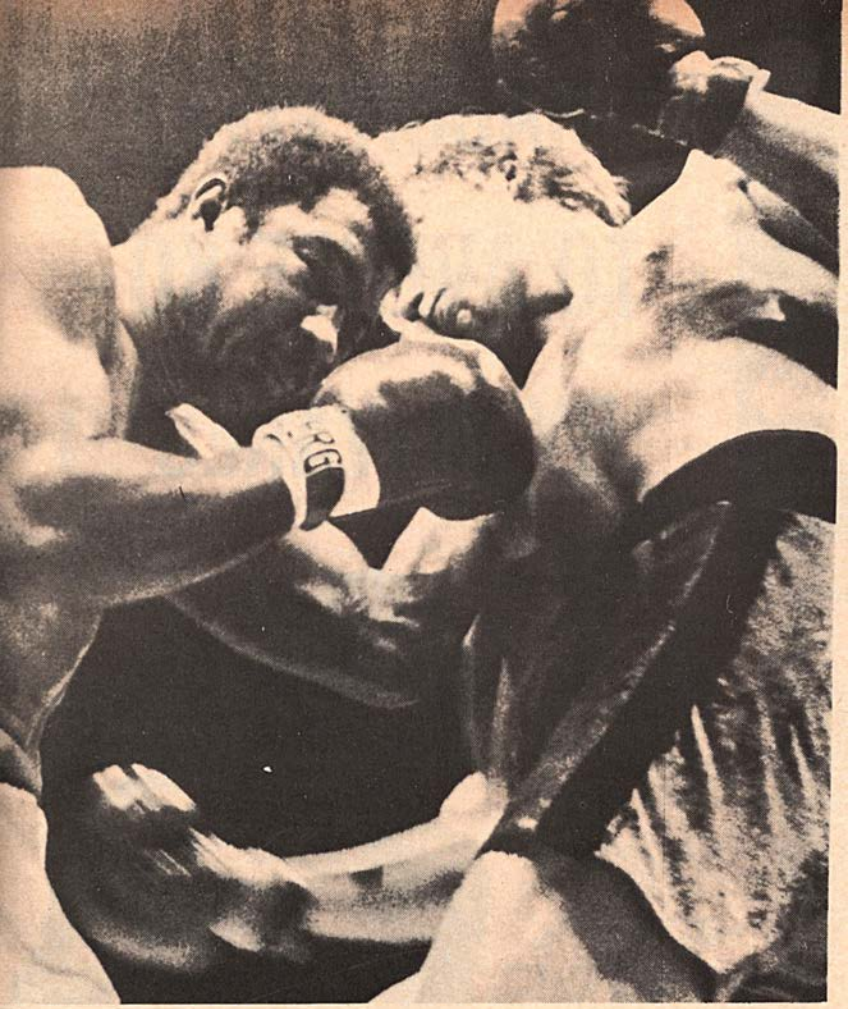
Name	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Tim Woods England	10/72	7	6	0	1	2
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Tony Greene Miami, Fla.	3/73	9	9	0	0	3
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Al Kemp Buffalo, N.Y.	3/72	10	10	0	0	9
WELTERWEIGHT						
Max Hebeisen Switzerland	1/72	30	30	0	0	18
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Norman Goins Indianapolis, Ind.	11/72	6	6	0	0	5
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Vernon Solas England	2/73	6	6	0	0	2
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Alfonso Zamora Mexico	11/72	12	12	0	0	10
FLYWEIGHT						
Danilo Batista Brazil	9/72	9	9	0	0	5

RING CAMERA CLICKS

With British and Commonwealth heavyweight champion Danny McAlinden enjoying things, Jack Dempsey playfully jabs Georges Carpentier on the chin while visiting London. Dempsey, 78, stopped Carpentier, 79, in four rounds in their historic bout at Boyle's Thirty Acres, Jersey City, N.J. in July, 1921.

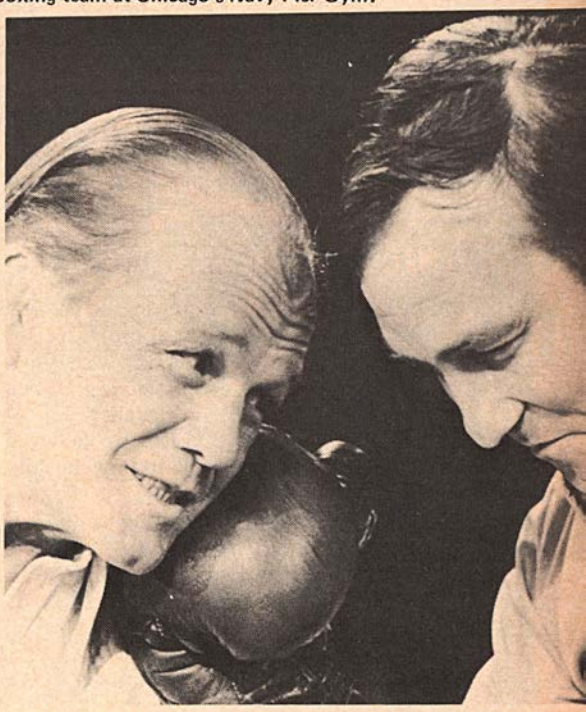
Archie Moore and Mike Hess of the Albany Elks Boxing Club, Albany, Ore. peruse letter from National AAU informing Hess he was named AAU Fighter of the Year. Hess, a 16-year-old southpaw, won the AAU 119-pound title by beating two Olympians, Tim Dement and Davey Armstrong.

Muhammad Ali's wife, Belinda poses with their children at Ali's training camp in Deer Lake, Pa. Muhammad Jr. is in Mrs. Ali's lap, Maryum is standing and on either side are twins Reesheda (left) and Jamillah.



Bernd August, right, of Germany mixes it up with America's Billy Joiner in bout won by August in eight rounds in Berlin.

Ex-middleweight king Tony Zale (left) goes head to head with Jerry Storey, of Belfast, coach of the Irish Olympic boxing team at Chicago's Navy Pier Gym.



Joe Frazier and family visit Central Florida's Walt Disney World, where they seem to be enjoying themselves immensely. From left are Weatta, 9; Natasha, 2; Marvis, 12; Jackie, 11, wife Florence and Jonetta, 5.

CHACON LIVES TO AVENGE KO BY OLIVARES

Sugar Ray Robinson, one of the all-time greats of boxing, encourages Bobby Chacon.

By DAN HAFNER

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. – Examine the list of U.S. champions in this issue of The Ring and you will find that Bobby Chacon, local youngster, is listed as the featherweight leader. Only recently Chacon suffered a very sad experience. He was stopped in seven rounds by the veteran Ruben Olivares. But Olivares is Mexican and Chacon is from the San Fernando Valley.

Chacon still is licking his wounds. He believed that he would beat Ruben. But Olivares trained harder than ever before in his career and proved there are no substitutes for experience and condition.

"It will take me some time to get over the KO by Olivares," said Chacon in the offices of The Forum at Inglewood.

"I promise you this–I will beat Olivares. Print that in The Ring and I will cut it out and keep it in my wallet, where I will see it every day. In the meantime I have the U.S. featherweight title to protect."

Three years ago Chacon was regarded as, pound-for-pound, the toughest street fighter in the Valley. Now, despite the KO, he is one of the most promising professional boxers in California.

Just turned 21, Chacon faced Olivares confident to the point of being cocky. He had won all 18 of his fights, 17 by knockout.

There was considerable doubt at one time that Chacon would be around at 21. Before he was 18 he had been on probation twice, had run away from home several times and had been in constant trouble in school. The police had all but given up on him. They were giving him a last chance to stay out of prison, but the odds were stacked heavily against him.

In his last street fight he whipped four guys, all bigger, in about five minutes, barely in time to escape before the police arrived. He had already proven too much for his mother and stepfather to handle. His girl friend Valerie was disgusted with him, too.

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(Right) Chacon in his fighting pose. (Below) Chacon tosses a right at Chucho Castillo, whom he stopped in the 10th round of their battle.

INSIDE THE ROPES *with* *Ruby Goldstein*

I ENJOY long walks which I'm convinced helps in keeping my weight down and find it far different than my boxing days when I often found it necessary to run. In strolling through the streets of the city I stop for a chat with numerous people and certainly appreciate it. Some years back it seemed sort of strange, but not any more. It seemed that all the conversations centered on boxing. Not once was I asked about the economy, pollution, nuclear energy or any educational matter. I firmly believe people held the opinion that the only thing I read was the sports pages. They had something there but not entirely. I was asked a question the other afternoon which led me to write this column.

Immediately after introducing himself a gentleman informed me that he was a fight follower and pleasantly threw the following query at me: "What was the easiest fight I refereed?"

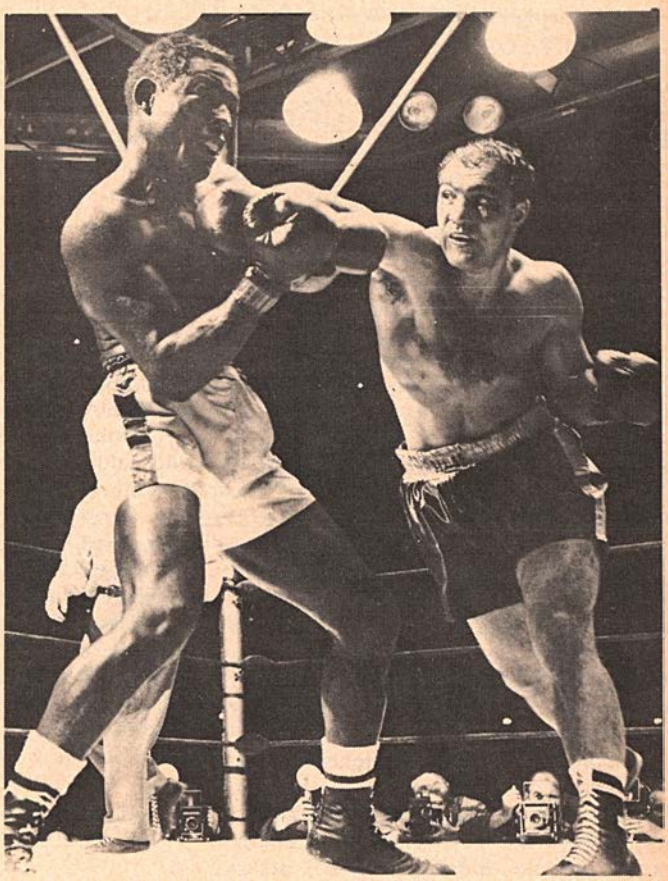
The Ring Record Book is a bit too heavy for me to walk around with and neither do I carry a list of the bouts I have refereed. However, with the boxing game being in my blood a question such as this can be answered off the top of my head.

People would imagine that a bout that ends in round one would be an easy one. Not necessarily so. Many complications can occur in one round such as a body blow that appears to land low and vice versa, three knockdowns in a round, a knockdown that really is nothing but a push, a butt that can cut an eye and other things. I've prided myself on one trait, that I wasn't lazy. I didn't mind going 15 rounds of refereeing when things were going smoothly such as a minimum amount of clinches, no infractions of the rules by both fighters and the boxers respecting my commands of break or whatever. When I first started to referee it struck me that it would be easier for the boxers as well as myself if I didn't constantly pry the boxers apart. The audience, which deserves great consideration, wouldn't have to be annoyed by me obstructing its view. So I commenced talking to the boxers and requesting they step back and break. Of course it doesn't always work that way due to the styles of some boxers and the type of bout it turns out to be. But with all due modesty I must say that I did alright with that big mouth of mine.

To get on to answering the gentleman's question, I immediately said that the first time Rocky Marciano fought Ezzard Charles for the heavyweight title on June 17, 1954 at the Yankee Stadium was my easiest. The bout went the scheduled 15 rounds with Marciano receiving the decision.

Rocky, short for a heavyweight particularly when he went into his customary crouch, had a body and jaw of steel. If you started to count on the fingers of one hand as to the times he was knocked down you'd probably come to a halt at the third finger. He really could discourage an opponent. He could take anything they threw at him. You can sum it all up by saying that he came to win and wouldn't be denied.

Ezzard Charles was a great light heavyweight and a heavyweight. A smart boxer, fast and efficient puncher, Ezzard really knew his trade. During the first ten rounds the going was fast and furious. Charles hit Marciano often with a series of well timed punches. One might imagine that the Rock would try to hold on and fall into a clinch. But not him. When



A scene from the Marciano-Charles encounter of June, 1954, described by Ruby Goldstein as the easiest bout he ever refereed.

Charles finished punching, Marciano literally ran after him and chased him back to the ropes. He would then fire about a half dozen blows himself and I think you can safely say that in each flurry perhaps only one punch landed where he had intended it to land. The rest of the punches landed on the arms of Charles who cleverly prevented the blows from landing in vital spots. This turned out to be the downfall of Charles. By being hit so many times on his arms, he found that at the end of round 10 he found it most painful and henceforth impossible to punch back. By sheer courage and ring generalship, he managed to last the final five rounds. In this encounter I didn't break them once.

Would all you kind readers please forgive me if I end this article right here? I find it difficult to continue for sadness sets in more and more when I think of the tragic airplane accident which took the life of Rocky Marciano, a great heavyweight champion. It remains sad when you are aware that another gentleman, Ezzard Charles, is ill and unable to navigate on his own.

PUNCH LINES

STANDS UP FOR ALI

I AM white and I am for boxing. I live in a white neighborhood and we all saw the fight between Norton and Clay. There was no doubt about the winner. After round 11 it was a draw. In Round 12 Norton did not have enough left to win the round and win the fight. White, black, blue, red, the man who fought as Muhammad Ali won the fight. The guy is a wonder. He is a master of pace. One of the best in the history of the heavies. Let's give credit where credit is due.

Herb Radner
San Francisco, Calif.

NAPOLES HARD PRESSED

The fight in which Napoles just about did get the decision over Gray in Toronto was probably the best contest seen in Canada in the last 40 years. Napoles is a remarkable fighter but so is Gray. I believe that Gray could do even better given a second chance.

Napoles is not the hitter he used to be. He is slipping and Gray is coming up. Another year and Gray will beat him. I advise Napoles not to fight Monzon, except for the money involved, and I suppose the money is the main factor. However, Monzon, too, has been slipping.

Truman Held
New Orleans, La.

CLAY AND THE GREATS

I do not like Clay personally. But I admire his boxing. However, when they raise the question of his standing among the all time greats, it becomes a joke. Marciano would have stopped him, Jeffries would have whipped him. Clay never has hit hard enough to rate with the greats of all time. As time goes on all that yammer about Cassius being one of the wonders of ring history will fade out.

Marvin Lucas
Stockton, Calif.

HE IS PUZZLED

Two years ago I moved from Los Angeles to Brooklyn. A bad move but that is not the subject of this letter. On the Coast there is a crowd for a fight at any weight. In New York, it has to be a heavyweight contest, and what's more, it has to be for the world championship.

The best boxers are not to be found in the heavyweight class. What New York wants is the old KO.

I know that there is an ethnic angle in this situation. But it still does not explain why boxing of late has been a failure in Madison Square Garden.

It comes down to this—I think. New York wants the Big Shots or nothing at all. This leads me to believe that New York fans are not boxing fans.

Give them basketball, football and hockey and if the ball clubs are not pennant quality it won't take them, either. What's wrong?

David Bashore
New York, N.Y.

JOHN L. AND THE TITLE

I read in The Ring where a lady from England asked how do we Americans have the gall to call John L. Sullivan the champion of the world when he refused to fight Australian Negro Peter Jackson.

I wonder if this lady from England who said her grandfather told her this, remembers anyone telling her about how the Germans had the gall to think themselves superior, when we Americans had the gall to help prove them wrong.

When this lady referred to we Americans, she should remember that John L. Sullivan could have originated from an English family of the past. If this lady from Brighton should turn back some of the pages of history, she will read about the gall we Americans have.

Lay off, lady of England.

Staff Sergeant William C. Starling
U.S. Army

Editor's Note – Fact is, John L. did refuse to fight Jackson.

HOORAY FOR PARNASSUS

Please let me indulge in a pleasant exercise—cheering for old George Parnassus. This man, I believe, is 76. But, age aside, he is the greatest club manager and matchmaker boxing ever has seen—and you can have your Rickard and Jacobs, Coffroth and Taylor.

Of course, there is a strong helper for George in the fact that he is entrenched in a Mexican area, and Mexicans are fight fans, all the way.

Parnassus has several knacks, one of them being the flair for striking while the iron is hot. Here in New York, management does not play on current strong publicity. Stars die off.

I recommend that the Garden change its policy and stop playing so strong to the Puerto Ricans and other Latin-Americans.

The Garden's idea that half a loaf is better than no bread at all is founded on a mistake. Don't keep white fighters in the cellar. Give them a chance along with the rest.

Ellmore Jones
Brooklyn, N.Y.

COMMENDS RING HONESTY

I want to commend you on your honesty and promptness in returning my payment for a book you did not have in stock. Not many companies are as honest or very obliging in returning payments that have been sent to them for an article that is out of stock. I am very positive that you'll always be successful financially because you deal honestly and responsibly with the public.

Gerard Fuchs
Brooklyn, N.Y.

HE WANTS FASTER ACTION

Like pro baseball, pro boxing is in today's blase world, too tradition-tied. Restless fans are ready to yawn at the drop of a 10-second warning buzzer.

One thing about boxing that's a real drag: the announcer's lengthy introduction of the two fighters in a championship clash.

Certainly the average boxing fan can recognize the champion, of only by face. . .so the other guy in the trunks MUST be the challenger. All the announcer need say is, while pointing to a corner, "Joe Smith, the challenger, at 197," then the similar brief intro for the champ. (After all, these two fighters have been wasting time in the ring some 10 minutes while "up and coming welters out of Sioux City" have already been introduced by the hordes.)

Too, never mind the referee's instructions to the fighters, like, "You two fellahs know the rules of the State boxing commission. . ." The battlers or their spokesmen usually nod "yes" anyway. I've never known of a fighter, trainer or whoever, answering the referee with, "Nope, we don't know the rules. . .so give us the complete rundown right here and now. . ." (Wouldn't that rules-reading just cause the instant exploding of the time-sensitive closed-circuit cameras in the joint?)

Lastly, the referee wastes more of the fans' time with, "now shake hands and come out fighting. . ." They're supposed to come out fighting. . .or what's the name of the game. . .croquet?

Nor do we need the ungrammatically-minded referee incanting, "and may the best man win." When it should be may the better man win.

Jack Bishop
Bridgeport, Conn.

UNITED STATES RING RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
*Joe Frazier, Philadelphia, Pa.
1–Muhammad Ali, Cherry Hill, N.J.
2–Ken Norton, San Diego, Calif.
3–Jerry Quarry, Los Angeles, Calif.
4–Ron Lyle, Denver, Colo.
5–Earnie Shavers, Warren, Ohio
6–Jimmy Ellis, Louisville, Ky.
7–Chuck Wepner, Bayonne, N.J.
8–Jose Roman, Puerto Rico
9–Jeff Merritt, Cleveland, Ohio
10–Randy Neuman, Cliffside Park, N.J.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
*Len Hutchins, Detroit, Mich.
1–Bobby Cassidy, Brentwood, L.I., N.Y.
2–Jimmy Dupree, Jersey City, N.J.
3–Richie Kates, Philadelphia, Pa.
4–Andy Kendall, Portland, Ore.
5–Eddie Jones, Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Hal Carroll, Syracuse, N.Y.
7–Billy Wagner, Cleveland, Ohio
8–Al Bolden, Pittsburgh, Pa.
9–Walter White, Tampa, Fla.
10–Mike Quarry, Orlando, Fla.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*Emile Griffith, New York, N.Y.
1–Bennie Briscoe, Philadelphia, Pa.
2–Tony Licata, New Orleans, La.
3–George Cooper, Oakland, Calif.
4–Willie Monroe, Philadelphia, Pa.
5–Bill Douglas, Columbus, Ohio
6–Mike Lancaster, Seattle, Wash.
7–Jose Gonzalez, Puerto Rico
8–John L. Sullivan, Carson City, Nev.
9–Rudy Robles, Los Angeles, Calif.
10–Mike Baker, Spartanburg, S.C.

WELTERWEIGHTS
*Hedgemon Lewis, Detroit, Mich.
1–Angel Espada, Puerto Rico
2–Eddie Perkins, Chicago, Ill.
3–Vernon Mason, Baltimore, Md.
4–Jack Tillman, Mobile, Ala.
5–Armando Muniz, Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Buddy Boggs, Baltimore, Md.
7–Billy Backus, Syracuse, N.Y.
8–Ray Seales, Seattle, Wash.
9–David Oropeza, Phoenix, Ariz.
10–Sandy Torres, Puerto Rico

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
*Victor Ortiz, Puerto Rico
1–Miguel Barreto, Puerto Rico
2–Johnny Gant, Washington, D.C.
3–Doc McClendon, Paterson, N.J.
4–Hector Matta, Puerto Rico
5–Josue Marquez, Puerto Rico
6–Chu Chu Malave, New York, N.Y.
7–Tony Petronelli, Taunton, Mass.
8–Andy Price, Los Angeles, Calif.
9–Chuck Wilburn, Cleveland, Ohio
10–Al Scooter Meza, Kennwick, Wash.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
*Esteban DeJesus, Puerto Rico
1–Jimmy Heair, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Ray Lampkin, Portland, Ore.
3–Rodolfo Gonzalez, Long Beach, Calif.
4–Ray Lunny III, San Francisco, Calif.
5–Monroe Brooks, Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Ruben Navarro, Los Angeles, Calif.
7–Willie Daniels, Philadelphia, Pa.
8–Dale Hernandez, Omaha, Nebr.
9–Edwin Viruet, New York, N.Y.
10–Javier Ayala, Los Angeles, Calif.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
*Sammy Goss, Trenton, N.J.
1–Alfredo Escalera, Puerto Rico
2–Walter Seeley, Sayville, L.I., N.Y.
3–Samuel Serrano, Puerto Rico
4–Frankie Otero, Miami, Fla.
5–Jose Fernandez, New York, N.Y.
6–Luis Lopez, Philadelphia, Pa.
7–Eduardo Santiago, Puerto Rico
8–Calvin Woodland, Washington, D.C.
9–Lorenzo Trujillo, Houston, Texas
10–Kenny Weldron, Houston, Texas

FEATHERWEIGHTS
*Bobby Chacon, Los Angeles, Calif.
1–Danny Lopez, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Santos Luis Rivera, Puerto Rico
3–Ronnie McGarvey, Hillcrest Hgts, Md.
4–Tyrone Everett, Philadelphia, Pa.
5–Carlos Perez, los Angeles, Calif.
6–Bennie McCall, New Orleans, La.
7–Vilomar Fernandez, New York, N.Y.
8–Marion Thomas, Indianapolis, Ind.
9–Waymon Young, Los Angeles, Calif.
10–Pedro Guzman, New York, N.Y.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
*Francisco Villegas, Puerto Rico
1–Benny Rodriguez, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Andres Hernandez, Puerto Rico
3–Earl Large, Phoenix, Ariz.
4–Tony Rocha, San Antonio, Texas
5–Johnny Moreno, San Antonio, Texas
6–Andres Torres, Puerto Rico
7–Alberto Davila, Los Angeles, Calif.
8–Falavio Barcena, Glendale, Calif.
9–David Vasquez, New York, N.Y.
10–Chuck Spence, Cleveland, Ohio

FLYWEIGHTS
*Tony Moreno, San Antonio, Texas
1–Willie Jansen, Las Vegas, Nev.
2–Bobby Holderfield, Little Rock, Ark.
3–Rocky Garcia, San Antonio, Texas
4–Alfonso Gonzalez, Los Angeles, Calif.
5–Arden Peralta, Phoenix, Ariz.
6–Diego Martinez, Los Angeles, Calif.
7–Eduardo Correa, Puerto Rico
8–Milton Higa, Honolulu, Hawaii
9–Salvatore Vasquez, Corpus Christi, Texas
10–Jose Zaldivar, Stockton, Calif.

*Champion

Q & A — Questions & Answers

Q. The Tommy Burns title claim has me baffled. Was he ever the real, legal, official heavyweight champion?

Davis Bearden
Toronto, Can.

A. The Ring recognizes the validity of Burns' title. Jeffries retired, taking the liberty of passing his title on to the winner of a Hart-Root fight. Hart stopped Root in 12 rounds, and Burns defeated Hart in a 20-round fight at Los Angeles on February 23, 1906, with Jeff refereeing. When Jeffries returned to the ring against Johnson on July 4, 1910, Jeff was the challenger, Johnson having acquired the title by stopping Burns in 14 rounds in 1908.

Q. What are the dimensions of an official ring? I have seen various figures on this but nothing definite.

Pete Cuniff
Newark, N.J.

A. Ring sizes vary, sometimes reduced to meet the special talents of a champion, sometimes increased in size for a mobile fighter. The Miami Beach rules stipulate that the ring may not be less than 16 feet nor more than 24 feet square. The New York Commission has no stipulation in the matter. Generally, size is 20 feet.

Q. I have seen Clay quoted to the effect that he was shorn of his title by The Ring, the WBA and the N.Y. Commission. I also have seen Cassius quoted to the effect that he resigned his title, offering to give his Ring championship belt to the winner of the Frazier-Ellis fight. What was the lowdown?

Eric Scharnhorst
Missoula, Mont.

A. The Ring dropped Clay from its heavyweight ratings when he called up and said he had quit boxing and would fight no more. The Ring, which for three years had defended Clay's rights as champion, had no option but to drop him as the champion and recognize Frazier after his victory over Ellis. Clay emphatically faced Frazier as a challenger and not as a reigning titleholder.

Q. Can't The Ring do something about stopping phoney fighters appearing under the names of better boxers? I have seen two such frauds in the last six months, in places which have boxing commissions. I am sure the officials knew what was being pulled.

Jake Armbruster
Canton, Ohio

A. The Ring caught a phoney in an Eastern state and exposed him. The boxing commission, under which the fraud was perpetrated, refused to support The Ring, which found itself involved in a costly suit. The number of such frauds has been reduced in recent years. But this type of larceny cannot be eliminated without action by competent commissions.

Q. Please give us the dope on Clay—how many times floored as a professional, how many times beaten as an amateur?

The Gang in the Biltmore
Los Angeles, Calif.

A. Clay has been decked thrice by Sonny Banks, Henry Cooper and Joe Frazier. As an amateur, Cassius was beaten only once, by Amos Johnson.

Q. Has The Ring ever rated Cassius Clay (Muhammad Ali) as one of the all-time heavyweight greats?

Dale Neustadter
San Francisco, Calif.

A. No. The Ring's all time Top Ten, headed by Jack Johnson, does not include Clay. The ratings were made by the late Nat Fleischer before Clay won the heavyweight title.

Q. Can The Ring do something about the tremendous incidence of the names Gonzalez and Hernandez in the boxing records? It is very confusing and I would think the fighters would want to do something about clearing up the doubt.

Jorge Garcia
Tampa, Fla.

A. The Ring would like to see fewer repetitions of the two names, but is in no position to lead a crusade in that direction, either. The more Garcias, the merrier.

Q. What do you think happened to Boone Kirkman in New York against George Foreman?

John Lesser
Los Angeles, Calif.

A. The only conclusion that could be reached was that Kirkman was overmatched, that he had had insufficient preparation for a real fight, that he had beaten nobody worthwhile, and that his future in the ring was dim.

Q. The computer "fight" between Marciano and Clay was a joke. Do you believe Marciano could have beaten Jeffries?

Amos Correy
New Orleans, La.

A. Marciano could take unlimited punishment, and dish out some highly effective poison. Jeffries was big, tough and punch proof. A computer could not answer this one. Nor can The Ring. Now don't ask if Dempsey could have beaten Tunney in a third fight, the night Gene met Heeney.

Q. My father, who was a nut on the subject of John L. Sullivan, named me after his hero. I have been told that you can give me all the dope on Sullivan. When was he born? When did he die? What were his chief achievements?

John L. Sullivan
Boston, Mass.

A. To begin with, we must commit a sacrilege. John Lawrence Sullivan, the Boston Strong Boy, never was a world champion. He did hold the American title. He refused to fight Peter Jackson. Sullivan was born in Roxbury, Mass., now part of the city of Boston, on October 15, 1858. He died on February 2, 1918, at Abingdon, Mass., age 60. He won the American title on February 7, 1882, when he knocked out Paddy Ryan in nine rounds. Bare knuckle. Lost the title to Jim Corbett at New Orleans on September 7, 1892, in by KO in the 21st round. Gloves.

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

1974 is fast creeping up on us and in the 1973 retrospect we remember some happy doings in connection with boxing. . .Jack Dempsey, more popular than ever, leaving New York with wife Deanne for a vacation in England. Jack was Promoter Jack Solomon's guest and the "Manassa Mauler" then dined with J. Paul Getty. . .While in London Georges Carpentier, the "Orchid Man," was invited to come to London to join Jack. . .Solomons reported interested in a new fight club in Surrey, England. . .The Dempseys visited some of her folks in Amsterdam, Holland.

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A salute to Adrian Bailey on a wonderful 5th Anniversary of the New Jersey Hall of Fame dinner, of which he is the founder, at Diamond Jim's in Matawan, N.J. The newly inducted were former welterweight champion Freddie 'Red' Cochrane, Patsy Perroni, who met them all, including Joe Louis, Frankie Blair, a product of Camden, N.J., Joe Kane, of the days of Joe Shugrue, Frankie Burns and Johnny Drummie, all from Jersey City. . .Alex Doyle, from Garfield, N.J., Joey Ferrando, another popular gladiator of his day, and Ernie Ratner, also a standout in his time. Paul Berlenbach's Ring #21 brought a busload to the affair, Joe Kane being one of the safari. . .Ruby Goldstein represented Ring #8, New York, of which he is president. It was a fine get-together and Adrian Bailey worked hard and turned in another great affair, plus a fine dinner. . .Sammy Venti helped Bailey and Yours Truly in introducing the great number of prominent people from the boxing game who were present. . .Besides Berlenbach and Cochrane other champions present were Lou Salica, Mickey Walker and Sammy Angott and Commissioner Abe J. Greene.

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Paul Cavalier, known as New Jersey's #1 ring arbiter, who fought from 1920 to 1936 before becoming a third man in the ring, is now retired at the age of 69. Cavalier, out of Paterson, N.J., a light heavyweight and heavyweight, fought Jim Braddock for the N.J. 175 pound title and Two Ton Tony Galento at the 8th Ave. Garden for the N.J. heavyweight crown. . .Paul's manager was the late Mike Valentine and his trainer Pat Dillon, out of Paterson. . .Started refereeing in 1941 and was still holding down the fort until a short time ago. . .He and wife Florence are proud of their son Paul, Jr., aged 42, attorney in Wayne County, N.J. . . . Until his retirement Cavalier worked for the Board of Education.

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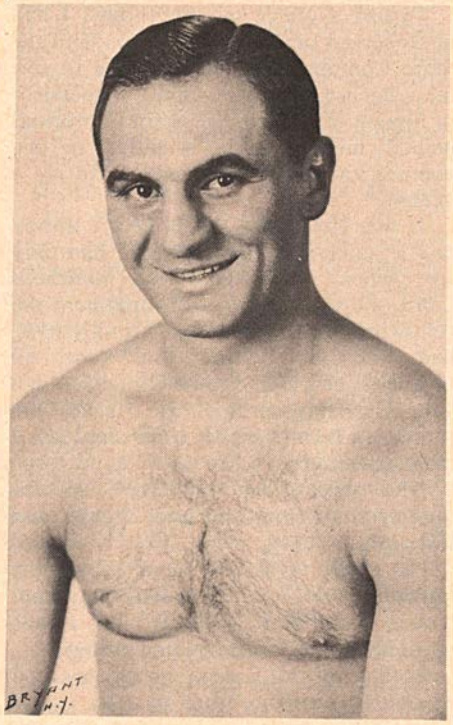
Which reminds us that another former fistic star from Jersey, Emil Cal Cagni, who was in many fights while managed



PAUL CAVALIER

by the late Al Weill, facing all middleweight competition, is scheduled to retire shortly as a Judge in Passaic County.

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Unsung heroes in boxing are the corner men, or cut men, as they are called. One of the finest around today is Chickie Ferrara, now 59. Chickie has been a trainer for 38 years, starting with Izzy Janazzo, who gave the late Barney Ross a tough tussle for the latter's welterweight crown in the Garden. . . Chickie was with the late Dick Tiger, gentleman and light heavyweight king, Muhammad Ali, Ezzard Charles, Rocky Marciano, Floyd Patterson, and Nino Benvenuti. Always with Jack Singer's fighters when the Flame Steak House man has a scrapper in action. Ferrara, Manhattan-born, still lives in little old New York with his wife Benita. They have one daughter, Michel.

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A half dozen of our prominent ring alumni, including ex-bantam king Lou Salica, and Petey Scalzo, once feather boss, entertained a group at the Bellerose Jewish Center in Floral Park. Same night as Willie Mays' farewell at Shea Stadium . . . Steve Belloise, who had Champion Ken Overlin on deck in a middleweight title bout in the 8th Avenue Garden, pugnacious Al Reid, who fought the best among the featherweights, and Artie Levine, Brooklyn middleweight who met Champion Sugar Ray Robinson in a notable duel in Cleveland, were the other guests. . .I was invited by Bernie Pollock, of New York's Ring #8, who put the show together.

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Ran into Sgt. Jack 'Babe' Stearn, now 60, from Canton, Ohio, director of the local police Boys Club, and chairman of the Canton Boxing and Wrestling Commission, who was at the Hall of Fame dinner. In his day Stearn was a boxing instructor in the Coast Guard when Jack Dempsey was his boss. . . "Babe" was a 145 pounder. He and wife Nancy have three children, Eddie, Nancy and Janice. . .Told us that he had been visiting with ex-lightweight king Lew Ambers in Phoenix, Arizona, having been with him in the Coast Guard. Ambers has a daughter who is a doctor.

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Our present generation may not remember him but the old timers in boxing will. Ruby Goldstein met Nat Organ at Long Beach. . .Nat was trainer of Frankie Genaro, great New York flyweight, Bud Dempsey, Nat Kawler, Sammy Marco, Harry Blitman and Paul Gulotta. . .Organ informed Ruby, Presi-

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CHACON LIVES TO AVENGE KO BY OLIVARES

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After his four-fight night, she told him:

"If you ever want to see me again take that talent for fighting to the gym."

For once, it was advice the young man was willing to accept. Valerie is now his wife. They have a daughter. They recently purchased a horse ranch in San Fernando Valley.

Going to the gym changed everything. A friend suggested he go see Joe Ponce, onetime fighter, who had managed a few boxers.

"I don't want you," Ponce told him. "You're a bad guy and you're always in trouble. I tell you what, though. You start coming to the gym and if I find you're really sincere I'll help you."

"Bobby never missed a day in the gym. He may have been a bad kid once, but after he started boxing, he never caused me any trouble. We've had a fine relationship. I knew that I had a potential champion very early in his training."

It had been a rugged life for the bright youngster, though. The oldest of seven children, his father was gone before Bobby was three months old. Bobby has never seen him. Until the last couple of years, he and his stepfather could not get along. Bobby was always running away and he had a temper. It started getting him in real trouble in his teens.

"I was always smaller than other kids," said Bobby, now a 5-3 featherweight. "I couldn't stand to be pushed around. When one of the bigger kids tried, it meant a fight."

One fellow who felt the wrath of young Chacon was Anthony Davis, now one of college football's finest running backs at USC. Bobby was a pretty good halfback, even though he weighed less than 150 at San Fernando High School. But he never got to play. He was never eligible because of fighting and other problems.

"I gave my teachers a bad time," said Bobby. "I was on the team, but I didn't play in games because of the trouble I kept causing. Actually when I look back on it, it's amazing I got my diploma.

"I was running around with some really bad kids. We had a club and we did a lot of things that were wrong. Just recently one of my former buddies was arrested with 40 kilos of marijuana in his possession. That's not as bad as killing someone, but you can see the way I was headed."

Bobby began to drift away from the club when he met Valerie. It was with members of a rival club that the four fights in one night occurred. The next day Valerie gave him the word.

"I was more afraid of losing her than anything in my life, so I went to Johnny Flores' gym in Pacoima," Chacon related. "Johnny wasn't there and I didn't have any money and they wouldn't let me in. I had heard of Ponce and a friend sent me to him. I think he took one look at my shoulder long hair and decided I would never be a fighter.

"He didn't offer me much encouragement, but I kept going to the Flores' gym every day. Finally, he realized I was serious. He called me aside one day and we had a long talk. He told me that if I behaved myself I would have a future in the ring. After the talk I had my hair cut."

Ponce trained Bobby for six months, partly because they had trouble getting Chacon, because of his police record, a license to fight as an amateur. Bobby put in some busy days. He would work an eight-hour shift at Lockheed Aircraft Corp., then work out at Flores' gym. At night he would do his roadwork. He pared down from 150 pounds to a solid 125.

"I had a police record, though I had never served time," said Chacon, "and the State Commission at first refused to give me a license. But Joey Olmos (supervisor of boxing officials in Southern California) helped me. I wrote a letter to the commission and they finally gave me a license."

It was November, 1970, before Bobby had a supervised fight. He had had only five when he entered the Southern California Golden Gloves tournament the following January. He beat his only rival, had one more fight and went, an inexperienced kid to the National Golden Gloves championships. He faced the runner-up from the year before and lost a close decision.

The next year he went to the quarter-finals, met the same fighter and lost again.

"I think I could have made the Olympic team," said Chacon, "and that would have been a thrill, but I was married and had to earn some money."

In his first pro fight at the Forum, Bobby had to go five rounds before scoring a knockout. It began to get easier after that and in his next four fights his devastating punches with either hand accounted for knockouts in either the first or second round.

Fans began to take notice and soon he was one of the most popular young fighters around. It was Ponce's plan to bring Chacon along slowly, knowing he had a valuable prospect. But Chacon was winning so easily from fighters with more experience that he couldn't be held back.

The first tough opponent selected was Turi Pineda, Jesus Pimentel's fighter who had beaten every opponent except Danny Lopez.

In February, in his 15th pro fight, Chacon, proving he was already a class fighter, knocked out Pineda in the fifth round, decking him twice, the last one for keeps with two left hooks.

He next went up against Jose Luis Del Campo, another highly regarded featherweight. While it lasted it was one of the best fights of the season. The cocky Chacon dropped his right hand early in the second round and Del Campo floored him with a left hook to the chin. Chacon was up and ready to fight right away. Before the round was over Chacon had put Del Campo down twice. Del Campo went down two more times before it was stopped in the third round.

Next, it was Chucho Castillo, the former bantamweight champion, now campaigning as a featherweight. The amazing Chacon gave Castillo, never knocked out before, a bad beating, finally scoring a knockout in the 10th round.

The most surprising part of the win over Castillo was the fact the former bantamweight king had never been knocked out. In fact, when Castillo met Ruben Olivares three times, Mr. Knockout as he is known in Mexico, could not even put Castillo down in 43 rounds. Chacon not only put Castillo down twice, but Castillo didn't feel like fighting anymore after the second one.

There has been much demand in Los Angeles for a fight between the two sensational youngsters, Danny Lopez and Chacon. Danny is unbeaten and has scored knockouts in all of his fights. It is doubtful if Los Angeles ever had such a promising pair of native feathers.

The two have met several times in Main Street Gym and their sparring sessions were real wars. In fact, Lopez' manager, Howie Steindler, and Ponce finally agreed that their battles were not doing either one of them any good.

Although a fight between them would be a natural, it is not likely to take place in the near future.

Chacon is a big featherweight. It may not be long, in fact, before he moves into lightweight ranks.

On the other hand, Lopez can make the 118-pound limit, although his best weight is 121. Maybe some day soon they'll meet.

VILLAFLOR REGAINS CROWN

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he replied "Certainly. Boxing is my life."

When Shibata won the title from Villaflor the fight was a furious 15 round affair.

"I would like to get a chance to recover the title," said Villaflor at that time. "I will know more next time about boxing against a lefthander.

"His being a southpaw had me puzzled. But it would not happen if I met him a third time."

FOREMAN ALL-TIME KAYO KING AMONG HEAVY CHAMPIONS

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have gone the distance with him are Bugner, Cassius Clay, Oscar Bonavena twice, and George Scrapiron Johnson. Among Joe's KO victims have been Jimmy Ellis, Bob Foster, Jerry Quarry, Manuel Ramos, Buster Mathis, George Chuvalo, Doug Jones and Eddie Machen.

Joe Louis, the immortal Brown Bomber, rates fourth with a .761 percentage. Of all the heavyweight champions, Louis probably stopped more champs and famous names than anyone else. Before Joe captured the title from Jimmy Braddock in 1937, he destroyed such men as Primo Carnera, Max Baer, King Levinsky, Paulino Uzcudun, Jack Sharkey, Stanley Poreda, Charley Massera, Lee Ramage twice, Al Ettore, Jorge Brescia and Natie Brown.

After gaining the crown, Louis neatly dispatched Nathan Mann, Harry Thomas, Max Schmeling, John Henry Lewis, Jack Roper, Tony Galento, Bob Pastor, Johnny Paychek, Arturo Godoy, Al McCoy, Red Burman, Gus Dorazio, Abe Simon twice, Tony Musto, Billy Conn twice, Lou Nova, Buddy Baer, Tami Mauriello and Jersey Joe Walcott.

While Joe was champion, the only three who were able to last the full distance with him were Tommy Farr, Godoy in their first bout, and Walcott in their first meeting.

Following Louis is the late Sonny Liston, who kayoed 39 of his 54 opponents in a career which lasted from 1953 until his death in 1970. Liston's KO victims included Marty Marshall, Wayne Bethea, Cleveland Williams twice, Nino Valdes, Willi Besmanoff, Roy Harris, Zora Folley, Chuck Wepner and Floyd Patterson twice for the championship.

Jim Jeffries, the immortal Boilermaker of days of yore comes next. Big Jeff, who held the title from 1899 until his retirement in 1904, participated in only 23 contests, knocking out 16 opponents. He won the title by stopping Bob Fitzsimmons in 11 rounds in '99, in what was Jeffries' 13th pro engagement.

Taking a tumble to seventh place is Muhammad Ali Cassius Clay, who was third in the middle of 1971 with a .781 mark. Now, Clay's KO percentage is .689. Since his climactic meeting with Frazier in March 1971, Clay has fought 12 times, scoring seven stoppages.

Currently, therefore, Clay now has 31 KOs in 45 contests. Cassius has halted Bob Foster, Floyd Patterson twice, Al (Blue) Lewis, Jerry Quarry twice, Jurgen Blin, Jimmy Ellis, Oscar Bonavena, Alex Miteff, Willi Besmanoff, Alejandro Lavorante, Archie Moore, Henry Cooper twice, Sonny Liston twice, Brian London, Karl Mildenberger, Cleveland Williams and Zora Folley.

Primo Carnera, the Italian Goliath, scored more knockouts than any other heavyweight titleholder—66. Carnera's record, however, is very questionable. That is another story, though. Of Primo's 66 stoppages, 23 were scored in 1930 alone. Those knocked off by Carnera were Ernie Schaaf, Ray Impellitiere, Vittorio Campolo, Walter Neusel and Isidoro Gastanaga, besides the KO of Sharkey for the title in 1933.

Rated by many as the hardest right-hand hitter of 'em all was Max Baer, the original playboy of the Western world. Max, whose championship reign lasted only a year, racked up 50 KOs in 79 bouts for a .633 mark. Those victimized by Max were Carnera, Tony Galento, Pat Comiskey, King Levinsky, Max Schmeling, Tuffy Griffith, Tom Heeney and Frankie Campbell, who died after their 1930 bout.

While Floyd Patterson is supposedly still active, he hasn't fought since his knockout defeat at the hands of Cassius Clay in September, 1972, Patterson has fallen from a seventh-place tie two years ago to 10th position with a mark of .625. Floyd's last KO victim was Pedro Agosto in July, 1972.

Others halted by Patterson include Archie Moore (for the vacant heavyweight title in 1956), Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson, Pete Rademacher, Roy Harris, Brian London, Ingemar Johansson, Tom McNeeley, Henry Cooper and Charlie Green. Floyd still remains, however, the only man in history to have regained the heavyweight crown. Plenty have tried it.

The man who defeated Floyd for the crown in 1959 is right behind him on the kayo list. That's Ingemar Johansson, who made but 28 ring appearances from 1952 through 1963. He racked up 17 knockouts, including Hein Ten Hoff, Franco Cavicchi, Henry Cooper, Eddie Machen and Patterson, of course.

Surprisingly found in 12th position is Jack Dempsey, the famed Manassa Mauler, rated by most experts as the most vicious puncher and ringman of all time. In 81 bouts, Dempsey halted 49 opponents, 22 of them in the period from 1918 until winning the crown from Jess Willard in three rounds on July 4, 1919. Those stopped by Jack were Willard, Luis Firpo, Georges Carpentier, Jack Sharkey, Bill Brennan twice, Billy Miske, Gunboat Smith, Carl Morris, Fred Fulton, Battling Levinsky, Arthur Pelkey, Fireman Jim Flynn and Homer Smith.

The remaining 13 champions, ranging down from Tommy Burns to John L. Sullivan, weren't exactly tigers, according to the record, although Ruby Robert Fitzsimmons, Max Schmeling and John L. were known as pretty good belters.

Sullivan, of course, "could lick any man in the house"; Schmeling stopped Louis in one of the biggest upsets of all time; and Fitz won the title with the famed "solar plexus" punch against Corbett.

Power, especially among the heavyweights, is the name of the game. Nowadays it's spelled P-O-R-E-M-A-N.

"I'M THE GREATEST WELTER BUT CAN'T GET ANY FIGHTS" --- LEWIS

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for me to beat great fighters. I'm 27 years old now and I haven't hit my peak yet so I expect to be around for a long time to come.

We just feel that it's about time that somebody served a little notice on the boxing public as to exactly how things stand out here. Sure, I drive a Mercedes; But it's a rented Mercedes and I have to get some work so that I can make my monthly payments. Talent and dedication should be rewarded, not penalized. When you're the best in other fields of athletic endeavor, you make more money. It just seems that I've been making less and less.

Things will be better. They can't get any worse. And I promise my boxing public that when I become the champion, the number one contenders can line up. I will fight them all! I know what it's like to be number one and sit in idle frustration. Yes, I'm number one, but I keep trying harder!

O'CONNOR SAYS QUITS BUT ● REAL INTENT DOUBTED ●

By GEORGE D. BLAIR

Rochester, Minn.—Pat O'Connor, local light heavyweight, hasn't officially announced his retirement, but Pat has taken a job in a 3.2 beer parlor in Rochester. O'Connor had said that if he lost the rematch to Denny Moyer he would retire, he lost.

O'Connor's retirement may end however if he can break his contract with his handlers, which he said he may once again try to do. O'Connor, only 23, has a 35-3 record and it would seem he should still be able to win some good fights. Denny Moyer is not recommended, though.

▲**Milwaukee, Wisc.**—The only recent action in the midwest was a pro-am show at the Eagles Club where Billy Goodwin, 152, Milwaukee (7-10-2) put the kayo on Bobby Crawford, 145, Chicago, (1-13-0) in the fourth round.

Bruce Finch, 150, Milwaukee and Jeff Morgan, 151, Cleveland, fought to a four round draw. Ernie Witcher, 150, Akron (2-17-0) surprised by knocking out Cliff Yunk, 151, Milwaukee (0-2-0) in just 37 seconds of the first round.

Duane and Rodney Bobick, the heavyweight brothers from Bowlus, Minn. were the only two active Minnesotans recently. Duane won a pair, stopping Manuel Ramos in seven at Norfolk, Va., and then knocked out Ron Draper in four at Kansas City.

Rodney won and lost in a pair of bouts, he won a unanimous ten round decision over Tiger Joe Harris of Cincinnati at Fort Wayne, Indiana, then dropped a ten round split decision to Terry Hinke at Las Vegas.

BRITAIN'S CONTEH ZOOKS INTO WORLD SPOTLIGHT

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luxurious flat in London, drives a Japanese car, and has everything going for him. But it hasn't always been easy, for John or his family.

His father was born in Sierra Leone, came to Liverpool 28 years ago and married a local girl. John was born in Liverpool, is colored (but says he has never had any racial problems), and speaks broad Scouse, the name given to the Liverpool dialect.

The Contehs had ten children, eight boys and two girls, and although John's father was a welder in regular employment (mother worked too), there wasn't a great deal of money to spare. They lived at Kirkby, a poor area and a tough one.

There was food, but there were no luxuries. Sometimes the kids of the neighborhood formed small gangs, and looked after cars when the owners were having a drink in a pub. This brought in a few pence. But the competition got fierce, and often there were gang-fights, in which John took part.

His father wasn't too happy about this situation, and when John was ten he was taken to the Kirkby Amateur Amateur Boxing Club. He took to boxing like a duck takes to water, and by the time he was 15 he could not only box, but had developed a hard punch.

When he was 16 he was entered in the British Amateur Boxing Association Junior Championships, only to be stopped in the semi-finals. And he knew why. He hadn't trained hard enough.

But such was his love for the sport that he resolved there and then never to go into the ring again unless he had trained properly. He carried hods at building sites to strengthen his muscles, took advice from experienced pros like Harry Scott, and it all paid off.

He had 50 amateur fights, in 1970 won the British ABA middlweight title also the Commonwealth crown. The following year he annexed the ABA light heavyweight title but was beaten in his first fight of the European championships by an unknown Austrian.

This result wasn't forgotten for a long time by the British press, and whenever anything was written about Conteh, it invariably included the fact that he had "flopped" in the Europeans.

What really happened? Even John isn't sure. "I suppose I froze," he said. "Certainly the fanatical atmosphere in Madrid affected my performance. I know I shouldn't have lost. But he was a southpaw, which didn't help."

To his credit he never has tried to make excuses. He has always accepted this defeat as something that just happened.

Before the Europeans, several pro managers had been trying to induce him to sign. Even with the European defeat, he was still hot property, for he could box and he could punch, and what more is there for a youngster? Little did they know that John had already made up his mind.

He made his decision in an unusual way. He was in London watching a race between boxing folk arranged by Lonsdale Sports Equipment Ltd. to raise funds for the Europeans. The winner was George Francis.

This impressed John. They talked, George made an offer, it was accepted and that was that. Conteh had joined the paid ranks, but it wasn't until some time later that George called a press conference to make it official.

The offer was $25,000. A lot of money for an amateur? Not if you know your man, and George told me "The moment I saw John in action I knew he was the right material. He reminded me so much of Randolph Turpin, and John could be just as great.

"I think the thing that impressed me the most was his power of punch. Whether it was a jab, a cross, a hook or an uppercut, it was hard. In this respect he's a 'natural.' All I had to do was to teach him control of his punching, plus the way to make his openings, and not to neglect his defense."

Since that start in 1971 these two have become a great team. They are firm friends, have the utmost respect for each other, and George says that John "works like a beaver in training, and is a quick learner."

As already stated, he has stopped most of his opponents, including Larry Sykes, Ruben Figueroa, Joe Gholston, Johnny Mac, Bill Drover, Johnny Hudgins, Sam McGill and Terry Daniels. His only defeat was on points to Eddie Duncan, but neither John nor many of those present thought he deserved to lose that one. So the record now stands at 19 wins in 20 fights, 16 inside.

What does John think about his new-found success. "It's come so quickly," he stated. "The thing that bothered me in my early fights was that the crowd always seemed to be against me, instead of behin nd me. I so wanted to put up the kind of performances they would appreciate, but it's not always possible to knock out every opponent in the first round.

"I was learning all the time, and I thought they would understand that."

It is a fact that although Conteh kept winning he was still getting "the treatment" from a section of the paying customers. He was accused of rough tactics, including alleged misuse of the head at times, also apprehension. But they forgot he was still in his apprenticeship, and as such an impetuous youngster who would have to correct his faults as he went along.

However, after he had stopped Schmidtke his performance got the acclaim it deserved. After Conteh had beaten Finnegan even those who previously had booed had to admit that John had been a deserving winner in a cracking fight.

The day after the fight Conteh's flat was overrun with journalists and photographers, radio men and TV men, with King John holding court.

Favorite question – "Will you be meeting Bob Foster, and when?"

Answer to this one came quickly and firmly from manager Francis, who stated – "Not yet! There are several things for John to learn before taking such an important step. You may have noticed against Finnegan that he tended to hesitate on several occasions when it looked as if he should have attacked and followed up his advantages. This is something that can be ironed out in the gym, and this we will do. But first John will have a rest for a couple of months. He's certainly earned it.

"You can take it from me that it will be in the region of a year before we'll think about a world title fight. And when we do decide rest assured he'll be ready."

A lot of credit for John's success must go to George. I well remember the day he rang me up to say "Ron, I've decided to give up my job as a porter in Covent Garden market, and concentrate full time on my boxers."

It was the wisest move he has ever made, as results have proved. Also in his stable is Jamaican-born Bunny Sterling, whom I consider to be one of the most scientific of all current boxers.

Winning the European title he considered unimportant compared to winning the British crown. After beating Finnegan, John said delightedly–"This is the moment I've waited for. Now I can say I'm champion of Great Britain, and this is something that people understand."

Members of John's family, including aunts, uncles, etc. buy about 50 tickets every time he fights, and he is a firm favorite with Bill Shankly, manager of Liverpool Football Club, who sent him a good-luck telegram before the Finnegan fight.

What made this act a worthy one was the fact that the Liverpool club were just off to Germany to compete in the second leg of the EUFA Cup. They then proceeded to win the Cup, and as they also were champions of the First Division of the Football League, Liverpool is a city to be reckoned with in sporting circles.

What has the future in store for

Conteh? He's handsome, dresses trendy, has taken part in TV documentary features on boxing, has a part in the film Man At The Top, is friendly with Sammy Davis Jr., to whom he has given advice on filmed fight sequences, enjoys driving fast cars, loves music, has a large record collection including Sinatra, Martin, Bassey, rhythm and blues, even classical.

On one wall of his flat in Hampstead is a large action shot of Muhammad Ali, of whom John said – "What that man has done for boxing is nobody's business. He's fantastic. But I do believe that it is time for him to retire. It would be terrible if he were to be beaten by someone who wouldn't have lived with him in his prime.

"When we went to Las Vegas to box on the same bill as the Ali-Bugner bout, Muhammad told my manager that if I were able to get down to light heavyweight he was confident I could win the world title. I really did appreciate that, I'll never forget it."

"This is the only thing I'll settle for. This is what boxing's all about. And I want the money that goes with it. Not just for me, but for my family. We really did have a tough time, you know, and it was amazing how my mother managed to feed us all. But she did. So I want them to have it easy for the rest of their lives.

"Meanwhile, I'll be doing the thing I love best – boxing. It's my ticket to seeing the world, and getting paid for doing it."

OLD MAN JOFRE BATTERS SALDIVAR TO KO IN FOUR

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his quiet demeanor, a man of fistic arrogance.

That Jofre would whip Saldivar, once a great boxer but now rusty and way off in his timing, was not a surprise. But the fight drew 13,000, as if there were some question as to the ultimate winner.

Jofre maintained a good pace for three rounds. Then, in the fourth round, he appeared to have decided that the time had come. He tore into Saldivar with jabs to the face and hooks to the body.

Jofre then maneuvered his man against the ropes, where he had no space for action, and blasted him with jabs and hooks until he had had more than enough.

A terrific left was the finisher. Saldivar tumbled to the deck and was off to dreamland.

The opening round was about even and not very thrilling.

The second round saw Vicente take the initiative. But the attack was shortlived. Jofre had decided not to prolong the battle and adopted a devastating technique. He opened the fourth quietly. Then, suddenly, he ripped into Saldivar and it was apparent that the fight would not move into a fifth round.

Saldivar is not so sure he did the right thing in coming back. He certainly did not pick a soft spot for the debut of his comeback, after a recess which had lasted two and a half years.

Jofre says he has no intention of retiring. He wants to quit with universal recognition, and an unbeaten record.

Before the match, the reporters asked Jofre if he had mapped a course against the once great Vicente. Eder replied, "It all depends on how Saldivar operates. If he is a really tough proposition, I will operate in a way to suit the demands of the opposition."

The demands were not serious. Eder Jofre won as he pleased.

WHO WON? HERRERA CAPTURES DECISION, BORKORSOR COLLECTS POINTS IN CALIFORNIA BATTLE

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fellow countrymen cheering him on, looked like a coiled snake.

Although Herrera had scored knockouts in three previous fights with southpaws, he didn't seem to know what to do with this swifty. Borkorsor kept beating him to the punch and it was no wonder Herrera's face was a bloody pulp.

The knockdown slowed Borkorsor for awhile, but he was the aggressor most of the time in the closing rounds.

In fact, the predominantly Mexican crowd, which contributed to a gate of $121,400, was strangely quiet in the late going.

Dr. Jack Useem took a look at Herrera's eyes after the 12th, but permitted the fight to continue.

Borkorsor weighed 117¾, while Herrera came in at the limit, 118. By the victory, Herrera, the WBC champion, earned the right to meet world champion Romeo Anaya at The Forum early next year.

The Borkorsor camp, upset by the close loss, was willing to guarantee Herrera $80,000 for a return title fight in Bangkok next year.

In other bouts, lefty Leo Palacios, 112½, Mexico City, out-danced Vittaya Plenchit, 115, Bangkok, Thailand, for a unanimous 10 round decision. Javier Muniz, 136, East Los Angeles, stopped Rudy Acuna, 135, San Fernando, (2).

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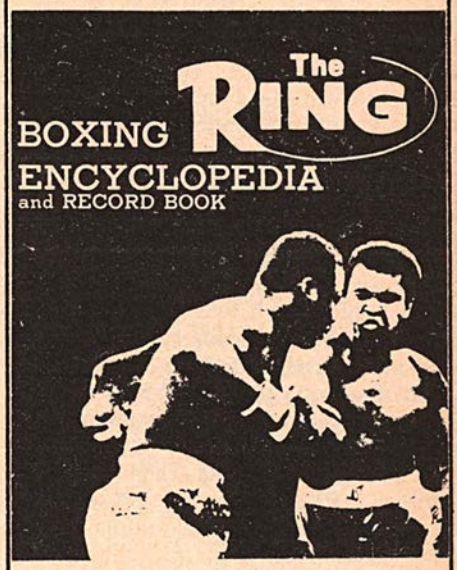

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PHILLY "BOY WONDER" PELTZ MADE HIS MARK IN COLLEGE

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they got together. Peltz has kept him going—going to the bank.

In mapping an uprising career for Briscoe, he has had setbacks. In 1972 he got him a shot at the 160-pound championship in the hometown of Carlos Monzon, Buenos Aires. He didn't expect Briscoe to win—he didn't. But he gave a good account of himself over 15 rounds.

This past Summer Peltz helped obtain a fight for him in New Caledonia, to be specific, in the city of Noumea. I knew you would say, where? New Caledonia is a French island, Noumea is its main burg, plenty of miles from nowhere in the South Pacific. Can't locate it yet? It isn't more than a thousand miles from Brisbane, Australia, and can be identified by the location of good old Pago Pago in American Samoa, just a thousand miles to the west. OK, all set?

It's a nickel-mining (and refining) territory where the French-speaking blacks are reasonably paid and have very few places to go for amusement. Soooooo—they told Peltz he could get $15,000 for Briscoe to fight Rodrigo Valdes, the showy South American contender. Nice touch—and he could get it.

It takes 24 hours' flying time to get there—and even Patricia McKeown wouldn't bother going that far *not* to go to a fight. The wires said that Valdes won a close 12-round fight.

A neutral jury assembled in Philadelphia, consisting of Peltz, his father and his brother-in-law, who had been in Noumea, scored the fight otherwise. They saw the movies and agreed it was won by Briscoe, 7 rounds to 5.

It was said that both Valdes' eyes were closed from Briscoe's cutting punches, which is understandable. Once Benny trained with Nino Benvenuti, when he was defending the welterweight championship with Emile Griffith. He broke two of Benvenuti's ribs. Nino kept it a secret and went through with the fight. Naturally, he lost to Griffith.

It also was said, at New Caledonia, that the two judges did not give Briscoe a round! This explains the fact that no breakdown of scoring ever was turned over to the United Press International covering the fight. Subsequently, it was said that the judges were suspended for life.

It has not helped Briscoe too much, though $15,000 can heal a lot of mental anguish. He will get his chance again at the title eventually, especially if Carlos Monzon goes through with a threat to retire in 1974. Who knows? Benny may be Jersey Joe Walcott's record age (37) by the time he wins a title.

Peltz is undeterred. He now has an exclusive for boxing in Philadelphia's Spectrum, Philly's handsome new arena. He drew $65,000 for Briscoe and Bill Douglas. He did even better with the Ali-Norton closed circuit TV fight, $86,000. He has had losers but he kicks them out of the way, just as he used to when he played soccer (his only sport) in high school.

Peltz will continue with such attractions as Briscoe and Gene Hart, another middleweight. Then he's bringing in Richie Kates, an able light heavyweight, and Alfonso Hayman, a rising welterweight.

"You may think I'm naive," Peltz said seriously, "I'm satisfied with making Philadelphia my big town. I want to make it a capital. I have no desire to promote anywhere else."

Did you hear that, Madison Square Garden?

In speaking of the Garden and the rash of riots which cropped up in the Garden and especially the Felt Forum, one is struck by the absence of same at Philadelphia. Why?

Peltz thinks he has the answer. "We have a first class arena police force, which is always aware of possible trouble. We can get other help, if necessary.

"Let's say it," continued Peltz, "Boxing has a reputation for bringing in an undesirable element. I know it. But we've done something to keep out those people. If they get in, they come in respectful of order, although they have just as noisy a good time as in New York."

OLD BROADWAY

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dent of Ring #8 in New York, that he was going to move to Miami Beach and will visit the gang and feels, even at 67, he might again step into the picture as a trainer.

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The Broadway boys were saddened at the news of the death of Ernie Braca, who managed several good performers in his day. He managed Tommy Bell, who gave "Sugar" Ray Robinson a great tussle for his welterweight crown and Tony Anthony, who once fought Archie Moore for the light heavyweight title. . .Braca, 74, belonged to the Friars Club and the Lone Star Boat Club and after leaving the fight scene was public relations manager of Bahama Amusements, Ltd. for ten years. . .Ernie was related to Bobby Gleason, owner of the gym in the Bronx bearing his name.

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Bucky Jones, out of Morristown, N.J., was a real tough performer in his day. He boxed from 1930 to 1937 as a welterweight and was managed by the Jimmy Reilly, of Elizabeth, and had 107 scraps as a lightweight and welter. Among the stars he clashed with were Johnny Jadick, Philadelphia, Stan Loyaza, Sid Terris, and Al Dunbar. . .Since he retired, Jones has been teaching boxing to kids for 41 years for which he has received five citations. . .His trainer was Dick O'Connor. . .Took his name from Buck Jones, the movie star. His right monicker is Robert Joseph Carabaggio. He and his wife Lucy have three children, Robert, Emil and Lucile.

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A nice guy from Broadway, who was a sport buff, recently passed away. Anthony 'Fritzie' Neste. It was a shock as few knew Fritzie had been ill. Harry Stickevers and the crowd in Dempsey's were shocked. . .Neste is survived by his wife Pauline and his son Anthony.

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Always on the fistic scene with Paul Berlenbach's Ring #1 and a smile and handshake for the gang is Tony Dallas, who was known as the Brooklyn Wildcat, a rugged middleweight, who was managed by Patsy Loco and trained by Red Wilson. . .Boxed from 1932 to 1937, had 75 fights and among those he met in the ring were Babe Risko, former middleweight champion, Mickey Whalen, Sam Bruce, of Syracuse and Vincent Green, of Brooklyn. . .Now 64 and retired as a longshoreman. . .He and wife Anna have two children, Fred 33 and Patsy 36 and 9 grandchildren. . .Tony and the Mrs. still live in Brooklyn.

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Got a big thrill meeting former lightweight king Sammy Angott, who was managed by Charley Jones. He still attends various affairs held by the Veteran Boxers. Claims to have been champion three times, having boxed Davey Day for the NBA crown, Lew Jenkins for the lightweight title and Slugger White in Los Angeles. Angott celebrated his birthday recently.

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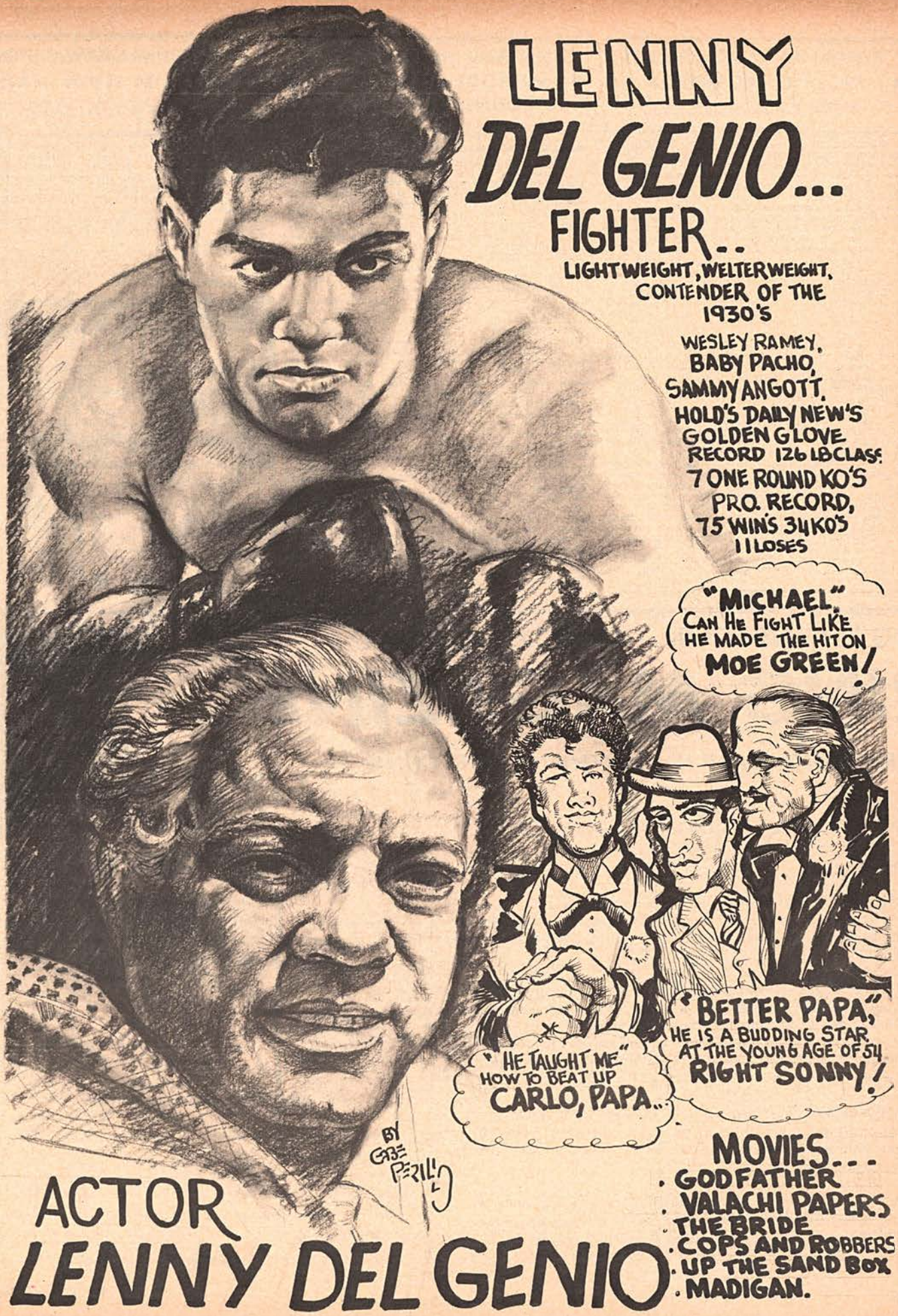
We're getting mail from spots far from Broadway. . .Mike Mittman wrote me about the annual convention, held at the Americus Hotel in Allentown, Pa.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PENTALOW MAKES SHORT WORK OF AL MOSLEY

By BILLY KOWALCZYK

Hartford, Conn.—In West Hartford's Columbia Music Hall—Flailing away shraply, Kevin Pentalow, 176, New Britain, Conn., made his home state as well as his main bout debut a splendid one as he methodically disposed of Al Mosley, Lowell, in the first round. Kevin's style brought back memories of the likes of Louis Kid Kaplan and Rocky Marciano as he swarmed all over his opponent, knocking him down three times and rendering him helpless as referee Hughie Develin tolled ten.

The crowd went wild as Kevin's hand was raised in victory, proving that a local gladiator is needed to bring out the crowd.

Sonny . Asani, Naugatuck, delivered a tremendous overhand right to the jaw to KO Daryl Saunders in one minute and 31 seconds. He weighed 162 and Saunders 159.

In the best fight of the night, welterweight Jose Carabello, Hartford, survived a third round knockdown and came back fighting to narrowly edge journeyman Jose Pagan, Springfield, Mass.

AAU Golden Glove champion in his professional debut, D. C. Barker, 170, Denver, made short work of Muhamed Ali Smith, 169, of Natchez, Mississippi, in what was billed as a co-feature. This bout brought a few chuckles from the crowd as Muhamed floated like a butterfly and stung like a love bird before three knockdowns ended this affair.

Another good four rounder saw polished Al Fryman, 131, Boston, earn a decision over Hartford's Rinaldo Burgos, who weighed 128 pounds. Fryman had too many guns for the local fighter who gave it his best effort but couldn't cope with his opponent after being knocked down in the second round for a count of eight. This was Burgo's first loss in 30 amateur and two professional fights.

In the curtain raiser, Naugatuck's Jordan Olivera, 148, was KO'ed by Dennis Reed, 144, of New York, in the last round of a four.

PITON AND HERNANDEZ WIN WITHOUT DISSENT IN 10-ROUNDERS IN FORUM

By SAM TAUB

In lop-sided wins for the victors in the two ten rounders at the Felt Forum, Oscar Piton, from Mendoza, Argentina, 139¾, overwhelmed Benny Huertas, introduced this time as coming from Puerto Rico, 140 pounds, while Chris Fernandez, from Santo Domingo, D.R., 141, also won handily from Saoul Mamby, New York, 138. The decisions in both affairs were unanimous.

Piton, taller and longer in reach, kept his willing and more experienced foe at bay with stinging left hooks and rights, although he failed to register a knockdown.

Oscar's the steady type, going about his work nonchalantly. When pressed he opened up and handled his man well. Benny tried hard but was outclassed. Our score card read: Piton, 9, Huertas, 1 round. The referee was Petey Della.

As for the first ten, Fernandez, with 34 bouts behind him, including 6 kayos, puzzled his man with his southpaw style albeit Mamby, who had only 15 scraps, kept trying to the finish, even though he was outpointed by his more experienced foe. . .The writer had it 7-2-1 for the winner. . .Fernandez suffered a slight cut in the ninth round. . .Referee, Georgie Coyle.

Here's what happened in the trio of four spots:

Rich Harris, Bronxite, 141, scored a majority win over Rafael Santana, Santa Domingo, 126½. . .John Capobianco, Long Island, 159, unanimous winner over Segundo Ochoa, New York, 161. . .And Roy Hamond, from the Bronx, scored a third round TKO when Referee Petey Della stopped his set-to with Tyrone Phillips, from Brooklyn, suffered a badly cut left eye and was being pummeled. Each weighed 148 pounds.

FEATHER McGARVEY STOPS HARRIS IN SEVEN HEATS

By JOE POODLES, SR.

Baltimore, Md.—Ronnie McGarvey, Adelphi, Md. featherweight, rolls on undefeated. The speedy southpaw TKO'ed Mike Harris, of Cleveland, in the seventh round in a scheduled ten at Steelworkers Hall.

Harris, who came in at 130, outweighing his opponent by 4 pounds, scored a knockdown in the second round. McGarvey was caught off balance by a wild right that deposited him on the canvas.

Ron looked more surprised than hurt. Harris had a lead at the end of the fourth round. From that point on it was all down hill for him.

McGarvey landed on Harris's Adam's Apple in the seventh round. Harris pointed to his throat which hastened the referee's action in halting the pleasing scrap. The show was a sellout.

Iron Jim Adams, 183½, Cleveland, lived up to his monicker by TKO'ing wild Bill Hardney in the third round of a scheduled eight rounder.

The bout was a wild affair with Hardney throwing everything he had in trying for a kayo with each flurry, while Adams kept up a steady barrage. Adams took enough punishment for three fighters in one night only to outlast his foe. The fans gave the Clevelander a big hand at the finish.

Leo Saenz, Baltimore middleweight, scored his eighth straight by TKO'ing Jerry Caballero of New York City in the 2nd round of a sixer. Caballero was a last minute sub and looked in poor shape as his flabbiness showed all over. Jerry took a good pasting but he was still pitching when the bout was stopped.

Billy Bell, 138, Washington, won the six round decision over Ronnie Pettigrew, 139, Cleveland. Bell has been a favorite with the fans in each of his appearances here but when the decision was announced in his favor the fans jeered the verdict though Bell looked like a definite winner to this observer.

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● NOTES FROM THE COAST ●

By ABE HOCHHEISER

Los Angeles, Calif.—The fourth annual California oldtimers Boxing Hall of Fame dinner was held in Fresno at the Mid-Town Bowl. Newsman and ex-boxer Billy Mahoney M.C.'d the affair.

Inducted into the Hall of Fame were Joe Herman, gymnasium owner and boxing manager; Lloyd Marshall, middleweight-light heavyweight 1940 era; the late California Jackie Wilson, welterweight, 1930-40 era; Tony Olivera, bantamweight 1930-40 era; the late Albert (Chalky) Wright, former world feather-weight champion; Jack Doyle, pioneer promoter of the Vernon arena; Johnny Farr, lightweight 1920-30; Newsboy (Dave Montrose) Brown, bantamweight 1920-30; Babe (Herman J. Sousa) Herman, lightweight, 1919-30; Chick Devlin, middleweight, 1930; and the late Lew Powell, lightweight 1903-1913.

To former world's flyweight champion Fidel LaBarba was presented a copy of his original boxing license issued by the State of Massachusetts dated February 7th, 1927, by George Martin, representing Massachusetts Governor Francis W. Sargent.

Other presentations by Martin were to Lou Nova, Georgie Levine and Russell of the Golden State Boxers Association. All three received "The Order of the Paul Revere Patriots Award from the State of Massachusetts."

In attendance were Al Manfredo, Mushy Callahan, Jimmy McLarnin, Young Corbett III, California Joe Lynch, Ceferino Garcia, Jack Silver, Floyd Red Taylor, Johnny Foster, Newsboy Millich, Willie Red Gold, Buddy Brown, Meyer Kaplan, Johnny Erjavec, Mario Duccini, Marcel Thuru, Nobile Kid Chissell, Mickey Willis, Goldie Hess, Spike Hennessey, Sid Marks, Frankie Garcia, Bert Colima, Sammy Offerman and Joey Medill.

Al "Abie" Bain, light heavyweight of the 20's and 30's has been hospitalized at the Motion Picture Rest Home for actors at Woodland Hills, California and is coming along okay. . .Ray Kosky, Fresno middleweight of the 20's and 30's has died. . .Nat Arno, lightweight of the 20's and 30's, also died. . .Arnos was coordinator for the Golden State Boxers Association. . .celebs at the Ali-Norton bout: Bob Hope, Frank Sinatra and Sammy Davis Jr. . . .Jerry Quarry who looked good on the Ali-Norton undercard, winning over Tony Doyle, may next be in line to fight George Foreman. Quarry holds an amateur win over Foreman.

N.Y. Gardens Teddy Brenner has already offered Foreman a nice packet of money for the bout. Gil Clancy and Quarry were recently here talking it over with the Parnassus-Fraser outfit and also with Bill Miller with a possibility for Las Vegas. . .Sugar Ray Robinson, Argentine heavyweight Pedro Lovell and heavyweight Jerry Quarry appeared on the Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy TV telethon from Las Vegas.

Veteran manager Sid Flaherty owns a $20,000 traveling mobile home which sleeps eight persons. He uses it on trips whenever his fighters are in out of town bouts. . .Pete Vital Sr., who manages fighters on the coast is the father of Pete Vital, the lightweight, and works out of Howie Steindler's Los Angeles Main Street gym. . .West Coast Manager-Promoter Mel Epstein and his middleweight Mike Nixon who fought in Binghamton, New York, winning over Tony Berrios, was a guest in Gleason's gym in Bobby's new automobile. . .Frankie Goodman's "Kid Glove Boxing Gym" has moved into larger quarters at 6469 Van Nuys Boulevard, Van Nuys.

California boxers who trained and developed at the Goodman Gym during their younger years were Mike and Jerry Quarry, Mando Ramos, Mickey Crawford, Bobby Chacon, Randy Shields, 1973 National AAU champion. Former bantam champ Lionel Rose from Australia trained for most of his coast fights at the Goodman Gym.

The Eagles Lodge of Redondo Beach, California, honored twenty five year member and former boxer Goldie Hess with a dinner and "Goldie Hess Day."

Former champs Jimmy McLarnin, Fidel LaBarba and Mushy Calahan were speakers on Goldie.

Newsman and former boxer from Fresno, Billy Mahoney, lauded Georgie Levine, Joey Medill, Johnny Kern, Sid Marks, Frankie Garcia and Russ Harley.

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DENNIS RIGGS GETS ATLANTA ● FANS EXCITED IN REVIVAL ●

By MARK BRENDSTRUP

Atlanta, Ga.—Boxing has returned to Atlanta after a three year dry spell. Chris Dundee has promoted three shows so far and the bouts have been getting better every time.

The most recent card was the best yet, featuring a ten round riot between Florida middleweight champion, Dennis Riggs, against his chief contender, Jimmy Williams. Riggs won.

The show was delayed for about 25 minutes when the special boxing lights in the aging Municipal Auditorium failed to work. The bouts were worth waiting for.

Riggs, 164, Jacksonville, and Miami's Williams, 161, had fought twice before. One was a draw and the other a Riggs points win.

Williams started out well this time and caught Riggs with a good right uppercut near the end of round one.

When he connected with a hard left hook in round two it appeared that he might pull an upset but that was not to be. Dennis began to get his left jab in and he bloodied Jimmy's nose in round two, a wound which bled freely for the remainder of the fight.

Riggs was stinging Williams with jabs and right-left combinations until round five when the underdog wobbled him with a left hook to the jaw. Dennis recovered to take the sixth and was doing well in round seven when a clash of heads resulted in an angry cut just under Riggs's right eyebrow, a slice which later needed sewing.

The doctor allowed the fight to continue and the favorite's corner did a great job keeping the gore under control. The eighth was the best round of the fight. A right cross by Riggs opened a bad cut over Williams's left eyebrow. Jimmy knew he was in trouble and rallied to keep the round even.

Referee Paschal deducted two points from Jimmy for lacing, an illegal attempt by the Miamian to reopen the cut eye of Dennis. From here on, Riggs dominated using crunching right hands to completely outclass Williams.

The doctor checked Williams's cut eye early in round ten and allowed the fight to continue. Had there been another round to go, Jimmy never would have been allowed to continue. His wound needed nine stitches. The decision was unanimous.

Judge Martin scored it 97-91, Judge Cooley had it 98-93, and referee Paschal had it 97-93, all for Riggs. I had the action packed fight scored 96-93 for Dennis.

In the semi-final eight rounder, Joe Gholston, 194, from Atlanta, won a unanimous decision over George Holden, 196, of Miami. Holden took standing eight counts in rounds five and seven. Gholston is training hard now and is an improving competitor.

The highlight of the six round fight between Joe Hooks, 178, from Philadelphia, and local boy Vernon Beale, 179, was when the two tumbled out of the ring in round six. Hooks went down twice in round four. Beale won by a split decision.

In the opening bout, 17 year old prospect Larry Peterson, 137, Jacksonville, split Miami's Jerry Powers, 138¼, over four rounds. Peterson is a tough kid and mixed it up with his fight-worn veteran. He already has his sights set on Frankie Otero in the future.

IRISH AMATEUR TEAM ROUTS ● AMERICANS BY 7 TO 2 ●

By SAM TAUB

To the tunes of Paddy Noonan's Irish Band, featuring vocalist Martin Flynn and the O'Keefe Family Irish Dancers, the visiting team representing Ireland, in the Felt Forum, demolished their American Golden Glove rivals in an overwhelming 7 to 2 victory.

The amateur duels were hotly contested. The standouts in the nine bouts were Howard Davis, Jr., who scored over Ireland's Damian McDermott in the featherweight class, and Ray Heaney, Irish representative in the 132 pound lightweight division who won a thriller over Robert Alexander, representing New York, the men receiving a standing ovation. Second and last winner among the Americans was Al Fletcher, who beat Ireland's Johnny Rodgers in a welterweight scuffle.

Completing the Irish rout of their U.S. rivals saw Christy Elliott, a middleweight who will turn pro and remain in this country, vanquish Ali Perez, who tried to emulate Cassius Clay with his fast footwork.

Brendan Dunne whip Rodney Jones in the opening three, a light-flyweight skirmish. . . Tommy Davitt win his featherweight duel with Victor Vaddy. . .Mickey Boyle won a quickee from John Turner, a cut halting the fracas after only 44 seconds.

Dave Campbell won another scrap in the same division from John Martin. . .Terry Riordan, down in the first, received the duke over Mike Bowser in their light-middleweight go.

The affair, held under the auspices of the New York Daily News, from a spectacular standpoint and attendance, was a big success. . .Frank W. Bannon P.C., honorary secretary of the Dublin County Board, Irish American Boxing Association, acted as one of the judges, with the referees, Dick McGuire and Martin Iacobelli, from the USA, and Victor J. Aston, of Ireland.

Preceding the nine international amateur bouts, two scraps featuring Americans, opened the show, to make up for the inability of Dave Lamour and Ned Hendricks to appear because of cuts suffered in their appearances at Chicago's Soldier Field the week previous.

In these two duels, James Magnifico halted Pee Wee Stokes, who suffered a cut left eye when the referee stopped the affair in the second round in a flyweight duel, while James McCloud won the nod in a disputed award over Phil Jones, in a featherweight tussle.

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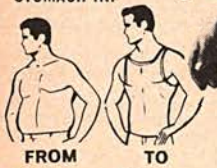

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BACKUS STOPS ROMANO ● IN THIRD AS FANS DINE ●

By JIM LEO

Syracuse, N.Y.—Ten miles outside of the city, at the Three Rivers Inn night club an unusual promotion was staged. Brought forward by the promoting Canastota Boxing Club, five professional bouts were held, while patrons wined and dined at their ringside or general admission table seats. During the intermission and at the conclusion of the bouts boxing films were shown. It proved to be a pleasing night for the crowd and successful to the promoters.

In the main bout scheduled for ten rounds, former welterweight king Billy Backus, 146½, registered a third round knockout over Al Romano, 148, North Adams, Mass. Billy felled Romano with a right to the jaw, following a good combination, at 1:01 into the third, for the full count. Backus was ahead at the time, outpointing Romano in the first two rounds.

In an action packed six round semi-final, Freddie Bright, 174, N.Y., earned a hard fought decision over Willie Wilson, 175, Utica, N.Y. Bright, carrying his gloves low, demonstrated quick hands and good power over the aggressive Wilson.

Walter Riley, 152, New York, scored a decision win over Ivelaw Eastman, 148, Guyana, in another six rounder. Riley, looks to be a fine young boxer.

Johnny Jackson, 185, Buffalo, stopped Bo Green, 180, N.Y., in round five of a scheduled sixer. The referee halted it at 2:58 of the round, with Green absorbing too much punishment.

In the opening four rounder John D'Amore, 173, Rome, gained the decision over Alex Seabrook, 175, Three Rivers. This was between bartender and cook, and it was a good scrap.

The Canastota Boxing Club in cooperation with Three Rivers management hope to present at least monthly shows at the night club spot.

Prior to the first bout timekeeper Mike Dempsey tolled off 10 strokes on the bell to honor the late Dr. G. B. Hanford, Fair Haven, a ring physician who died a couple of weeks ago and Bill Reddy, Syracuse Post Standard sports editor who recently passed away.

▲**At Binghamton, N.Y.**—Ringside promotions came forth with their second professional boxing show. In the ten round main event middleweight Mike Nixon, boxing for the first time as a professional in his hometown was a split decision winner over Tony Berrios, Scranton, Pa. Both boys came to fight and at the end there was not much separating them. Nixon, fighting mainly out of Glendale, Ca. weighed 161, and upped his record to 18-4, while Berrios, scaled 157, and slipped to 15-8-1.

In the prelims, Alan Kemp, 156½, Buffalo, N.Y., scored his eleventh straight win with a 2nd round TKO over Vince Neratka, 158½, Alexandria, Va. A bad eye cut halted it. This was scheduled for eight rounds.

Rocky Cudney, 148, Buffalo, KO'ed Prince Nikiti Tarhocker, 151½, of Nigeria, at 1:48 of the fourth, in another scheduled eight.

Kevin Dorian, 142, Boston and Joe Grier, 139, Paterson, N.J., fought to an eight round draw. Dorian remained undefeated with a 18-0-1 record. Grier, an ex-Marine is now 7-2-3.

In four, Jerry Snyder, Endicott, N.Y. boy who scaled 138, outpointed Ralph Lopez, 141, Salem, N.H.

DUANE BOBICK'S TWELFTH ● IN ROW BLASTS DRAPER ●

By MIKE HAYES

Denver, Colo.—Olympic heavyweight Duane Bobick made it 11 in a row and light heavyweight D.C. Barker made a successful professional debut here.

Bobick scored his 11th straight knockout when he stopped Ron Draper at 1:46 of the fourth round in Kansas City, Missouri.

Draper was the 1971 National Golden Gloves titlist and Bobick was the 1971 National AAU winner.

Bobick dominated the match, scoring repeatedly with hard body shots. The constant pounding finally took its effect midway in the deciding frame as Bobick caught Draper with a jab, right uppercut and put him away with a left hook.

Barker, the 1973 National Golden Gloves and National AAU champion, stopped M.A. Smith at 2:22 of the opening round. Barker put Smith away with a combination, the second time the Mississippi fighter was decked.

ORSOLICS BREAKS CONSOLATI'S ● RIB AND FORCES HALT IN 3 ●

By LEO VOLLNHOFER

Vienna, Austria—Johann Orsolics met former Italian junior welter champion Massimo Consolati, who sports a KO 15 win against WBC-No. 1 Bruno Arcari, in his lengthy record. Orsolics blasted the Italian from pillar to post and broke his opponent's rib in the third whereupon the ring medico called a halt in the rest period before the fourth round.

The second serious contender for a shot at the junior middles crown, Edwin Fighting Mack, of Curacao, reduced Antonio Torres of Spain within a few rounds to a heavy bag without hope and chance. In the 7th round, the Spanish corner threw in the towel.

Czech junior middle Jaroslav Travnik won a six-rounder from German veteran Alfred Fries. German junior middles contender Klaus Steinmetz stopped hapless Kid Silent of Curacao in the second. Austrian middleweight hope Franz Csandl scored his best win by outpointing experienced Adriano Rodriguez, of Brazil, in six.

Franz Kalal promoted a card at the old Haymarket ring, where once Joe Weidinger, Kurt Schiegl, Heinz Lazek etc. had waged their ring wars, and where, for the past 15 years, only wrestlers had performed in the summer months.

Nojim Maiyegun of Nigeria, 155, overwhelmed Italian lightheavy Nicola Menchi in one minute and 48 seconds of the first round with a concerted attack of crisp right- and left handers which had the Italian groggy after a minute. Once floored, Menchi had troubles to get back on his feet and lifted his left mitt in token of surrender.

In the main supporting bout, Austrian middleweight champion Anton Schnedl, eked out a well deserved points decision over experienced Walter Guernieri of Italy in ten. Cruiser Fritz Kohler managed a points victory in six against worn out Italian Raffaele Maio. Viennese bantamweight Stefan Kobli narrowly outpointed South Korean Hu-Bong-Park in four. Finally, German junior welter's champion Klaus Jacoby stopped fellow countryman Manfred Lessmann in the 7th round.

It required about a week until rival managers found that the handlers of Koichi Wajima had second thoughts about despatching their man to Vienna to face one or both merciless killers at present boxing in the city of waltzes. It was announced that Koichi Wajima will defend again against Miguel de Oliveira of Brazil, who only received a draw in 15 rounds in January of this year in Tokyo.

Manager Willy Zeller and Johann Orsolics consoled themselves with the happy news that the European Boxing Union nominated the former twice European champion as official challenger to Frenchman Jacques Kechichian's European junior middleweight title.

While Orsolics gets a chance to achieve a third European crown, Nojim Maiyegun must wait for another chance to punch himself in the international lime-light since his manager Franz Kalal has not yet succeeded to break Willy Zellers hold on the Vienna City Hall. Latest reports say that Willy Zeller wants to extend his activities to faraway South America and will promote a big fight evening in Montevideo, Uruguay, some time in the middle of December. Should Zeller voluntarily give up the Vienna market, Franz Kalal will probably succeed in finding entrance into the 15,000 capacity Vienna City Hall.

AHUMADA OVER GONZALEZ ● IN HARD FIGHT IN FORUM ●

By JOHN ORT

South American Jorge Ahumada made it three in a row in Madison Square Garden's Felt Forum with a close but unanimous 10-round decision over Puerto Rico's Jose Gonzalez.

Ahumada came back from a knockdown and a badly cut right eye to win the favor of the officials. The 33-year-old Gonzalez stated after the bout "I beat him, I beat him, I knock him down, I bust him up. He didn't do nothin' to me."

The scoring of the contest: judge Bill Recht and judge Jack Gordon had it 6-4, referee Harold Valan, 6-3-1, all for Ahumada.

Chris Black, 158½, Brooklyn, was kayoed at 1:46 of the 1st by Willie Classin, 161. It was Black's first loss. Kevin Isaac, 186½, Brooklyn, defeated Rodell Dupree, 189, Jersey City, N.J. in 6; Max Pierre, Dominican Rep., kayoed Victor Checo, Dominican, in 58 seconds of round 1. They are welterweights.

SIX 'STRAIGHT FOR GOINS AS ● COPELAND EXITS IN TWO ●

By MIKE SCHWARTZ

Indianapolis, Ind.—Undefeated local lightweight Norman Goins made it six in a row when he blasted veteran Johnny Copeland, 138, Joplin, Mo., midway through the second round.

Goins, a two-time National champion as an amateur, scored his fifth knockout as a pro. The 132-pound Goins tore into Copeland from the opening bell, dropped him twice and had Copeland badly cut before ref Gene Parker intervened.

Irish Jerry Evans, 175, Indianapolis, blasted out John Mason, 175, Grand Rapids, in the fourth round. They had met a month earlier, with Evans gaining a decision. This time Jerry had too many guns. Both men were badly cut, too, with the heavier punching of Evans being the difference. Referee George DeFabis halted the slugfest with Mason badly hurt on the ropes.

Evans now has a 24-7 record, with 16 knockouts.

Marion Thomas, 130, Indianapolis, outscored Danny Figueroa, 129, Newark, N.J., in eight rounds. Thomas, now 27-6-1, used a stiff jab and quick right hand to outslug his Puerto Rican foe.

Sammy NeSmith, former national Golden Gloves champion, turned pro with a bang. NeSmith, 152, Indianapolis, bombed Shane Bosely, 149, Columbus, into submission at 1:41 of the first round.

In four rounds, Irish Al Monday, 205, Columbus, outpunched rough Danny LaHiff, 193, Grand Rapids. Monday, now 2-0, had LaHiff down twice in the first. LaHiff is a Vietnam veteran who won five Purple Hearts in Southeast Asia.

▲**Fort Wayne, Ind.**—Hulking Rodney Bobick, 224, Minneapolis, pounded out a unanimous decision over Tiger Joe Harris, 190, Cincinnati, in 10.

Bobick, now 21-2, was favored to destroy Harris, but the Ohioan hung in there and bounced left hooks off Rodney's chin round after round. However, the weight and six inches in height made physical advantages for Bobick, who outmuscled and outmauled Harris to win unanimously. Harris is now 3-9-1, but has been in with Jimmy Ellis, Terry Daniels, and Ron Stander.

In the semifinal 10, Roy Dale, 163, Cincinnati, won a close but unanimous decision over Bruce Cantrell, 153, Spartanburg, S.C. Dale towered over Cantrell and used his much longer reach and excellent right hands to hold off Bruce and pile up the points.

Dale, now 20-13, had lost seven straight, but his competition had included world champion Carlos Monzon, Tom Bogs, Carlos Duran, Phil Matthews, and other sluggers.

A scheduled eight rounder ended quick, as Olympic Bronze Medal winner Marvin Johnson, 175, Indianapolis, stopped Al Byrd, 175, Winston-Salem, N.C., in the opening round. They traded toe-to-toe and got in good shots until a straight left from southpaw Johnson put Byrd down for the count. Marvin is now 2-0, while Byrd is 2-6.

Welterweight veteran Larry Adkins, 152, Cincinnati, sized up young Johnny Simpson, 152, Cleveland, for a round and a half, then threw a picture left hook to floor Simpson in round two. The Ohioan arose on shaky legs and the bout was stopped.

Johnny North, 138, Cincinnati, knocked out Sonny Oliver, 139, Akron, in the first round.

ALONG THE VBA TRAIL

By SCOOP GALLELLO

VBA PRESIDENT

More than 1000 persons were in attendance at the recent New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame Dinner at Diamond Jim's, Matawan, N.J. The fistic gentry came from all over the eastern seaboard.

Ring #26 of Schenectady recently held an outdoor picnic at Boedecker Acres in Galway, N.Y. In attendance were Tony Messina, Joe "Pep" Cassillo, Jim Boedecker, Jack Nichols, Danny Sabia, George Rugg, John Antonacci, Carl Sorenson, Billy Harris and Carmine Fatta.

Ring #101 of Baltimore recently inducted into their Hall of Fame Harry Jeffra—former bantam and feather champ: Joe Dundee—former king of the welters: Lou Transparenti—former featherweight contender: Jack Portney—former Australian welterweight champ: Clarence "Red" Burman—former heavyweight and Heine Blaustein, famous trainer.

Honored posthumously were—Joe Gans, former world lightweight champion; Kid Williams, former bantam champion, and Vince Dundee, former world middleweight kingpin. The affair was held at the Pimlico Race Track with an overflow crowd in attendance.

Joe Poodles, Sr., vice president of Ring 101 of Baltimore, has in his possession old Everlast and Post Boxing Record Books that he will trade for fistic photos—Write to him at 829 S. Milton Ave., Baltimore, Md.

#25 of Irvington, N.J. holding annual banquet Nov. 3 at DeMaio's, Route 10, Whippany, N.J. . .Honoring Babe Orlando, Jack Palecco, Maxie Fisher, Al Bryant, Joe O'Gatty, Charlie Wells, Donnie Litt and Al Lombardi. Former flyweight king Willie Lamorte is the prexy of this group.

Sammy Venti, prexy of world boxing historians, recently held a successful amateur show at the St. Thomas Aquinas Church on Flatbush Ave., Brooklyn. After the show, former boxer "Irish" Eddie Brooks was presented with the "Jack Britton Memorial Award." Jimmy O'Connor garnered the Ray Meyers Memorial Award.

Jimmy O'Gatty, brother of Packey, is living in Hollywood, Calif. Jimmy was a great fistic competitor himself, boxing in the same era as Packey.

A boxing symposium was recently held at the Bellerose Jewish Center in Bellerose, N.Y. with luminaries Petey Scalzo, Lou Salica, Sam Taub, Al Reid, Steve Belloise, Artie Levine and Tommy Marengo in attendance. Boxing man Bernie Pollack along with Alvin Fishman, set the wheels in motion for this affair.

Joe Striffler, former policeman who trained boxers while operating out of the P.A.L. at 102nd St & Jamaica Ave. in Woodhaven, Queens, is now working at Grossingers. Joe helped train Jimmy Herring and Pat Scanlon.

Former welterweight Rocky Rossano, who boxed out of Brooklyn, and is residing in Highland Falls, N.Y. recently celebrated his 52nd birthday.

#50 of Hawaii is instituting a youth program to improve the sport of boxing. Capable instructors are required. Harry K. Wall—Secretary of this group is the driving force behind this venture.

Willie Pep has not received his license to referee in the state of Connecticut. Barbara Dunn, the woman in charge of the boxing commission, turned Pep down.

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Charlie Johnson beat Sylvester Wilder, 10.
Johnny Jackson kayoed Bob Green, 5.
Bernard August decisioned Billy Joiner, 8.
Hartmut Sases stopped Jan Lubbers, 2.
Gregorio Peralta kayoed Billy Aird, 4.
Jose Casado beat Roland Cousins, 4.
Jim Cogdell outpointed Eugene Idolette, 4.
John L. Johnson stopped Bob Crutison, 5.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

John Conteh decisioned Baby Boy Rolle, 15, British Empire light heavyweight title.
Andy Kendall beat Mike Quarry, 10.
Pierre Fourie outpointed Rudiger Schmidtke, 10.
Tom Bogs defeated John Frankham, 10.
Maxie Smith halted Syd Falconer, 4, beat Eddie Duncan, 10.
Al Bolden kayoed Ron Wilson, 5, Amado Vasquez, 4.
Kevin Pantelow stopped Al Thompson, 1, Al Mosley, 1.
Cove Green beat Coco Kid, 6.
Jorge Ahumada outpointed Jose Gonzalez, 10.
Brian Kelly decisioned Larry Brasier, 12.
Gary Summerhays won from Casey Gacic, 10.
Ray Elson beat Roy Ingram, 6.
Tony Greene halted Guillermo Escalera, 9, beat Escalera, 8, defeated Marcel Clay, 10.
Terry Daniels outpointed Bruce Scott, 10.
Johnny Heidel kayoed Honey Boy Jackson, 4.
Bob Garrett halted Norbert Cody, 7.
Sam Hellman stopped Bill Henry, 2.
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Bill Hardney kayoed by Jim Adams, 3.
Al Neuman stopped George Perez, 4.
Vinnie Curto halted Tommy Hicks, 8.
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Karl Klein stopped Guinea Roger, 5.
Bob Benoit halted Willie Mack, 7.
Freddy Bright beat Willie Wilson, 6.
John D'Amore won from Alex Seabrook, 4.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Tony Mundine beat Carlos Marks, 15, British Empire middleweight title.
Miguel de Oliviera kayoed Manoel Severino, 1.
Bennie Briscoe halted Ruben Arocha, 3.
George Cooper stopped Dave Love, 8.
Luis Fabre beat Ermenegildo Alegre, 10.
Tony Licata decisioned Denny Moyer, 10.
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Rudy Robles outpointed Dave Adkins, 10.
Vito Antuofermo defeated Tony Durango, 10.
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Dave Downey beat Gary Broughton, 12, Canadian middleweight title.
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Mike Lancaster halted Fausto Perez, 2.
Eckhart Dagge kayoed Matt Donovan, 2.
Lennox Beckles beat Roy Harry, 10.
Rocky Cudney decisioned Bruce Cantell, 10.
Larry Davis beat Skipper Jones, 6.
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WELTERWEIGHTS

Fausto Rodriguez outpointed Chuck Wilburn, 10.
Hedgemon Lewis beat Chuchu Garcia, 10.
Vernon Mason decision Jack Tillman, 10.
Arturo Zuniga won from Ronnie Harris, 10.
Marshall Butler kayoed by Art Kettles, 10.
Zovek Barajas beat Armando Muniz, 10.
Billy Backus halted Al Romano, 3.
Elisha Obedo defeated Bunny Grant, 10.
William Watson kayoed Ray Brentos, 7.
Mike Everett halted Roy Fields, 4.
Mike Rossman stopped Herman Nance, 1.
Fernand Marcotte kayoed Fermin Guzman, 9.
Ray Seales beat Roy Barrientos, 10.
Max Hebeisen decisioned Marc Gervais, 10.
Angel Milleti drew with Ray Rose, 8.
George Mankins lost to Lindo Giles, 6.
Clyde Washington drew with Urbin Baptiste, 10.
Rafael Rodriguez beat Steve St. Charles, 4.
Art Kettles lost to Mario Saurnnann, 10.
Sandy Torres beat Dario Hidalgo, 10.
Jose Carabello beat Jose Pagon, 6.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Roger Zami beat Otho Tyson, 10.
Joao Henrique kayoed Juan Diaz, 3.
Al Foster won from Roger Buckskin, 8.
Oscar Piton decisioned Benny Huertas, 10.
Chris Fernandez beat Saoul Mamby, 10.
Hector Matta decisioned Bernardo Diaz, 10.
Lee Chang-Kil outpointed Pedro Adigue, 12, Orient junior welterweight title.
Al Scooter Meza lost to Lorenzo Trujillo, 10.
Ray Chavez beat Doc McClenden, 10.
Billy Bell decisioned Ron Pettigrew, 6.
Lion Furuyama kayoed Yoshihiro Sugaya, 1.
Jim Henry outpointed Alain Turenne, 4.
Larry Bonds halted Ray Young, 3.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Ray Lampkin beat Nick Alfaro, 10.
Ken Buchanan halted Frankie Otero, 6.
Jimmy Heair stopped Constinito Rodriguez, 5.
Monroe Brooks beat Mike Mayan, 10, Raul Montoya, 10.
Chucho Padilla halted Jeff Lucas, 9.
Danny Stokes outpointed Harvey Wilson, 6.
Pete Vital drew with Moses Carbin, 10.
Leroy Walker beat Ricky Simaratana, 6.
Johnny North outpointed John Summerhays, 8.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Ben Villaflor kayoed Kuniaki Shibata, 1, regained World Junior Lightweight Title.
Lothar Abend stopped DeKeers, 1.
Frankie Otero kayoed by Ken Buchanan, 6.
Love Allotey lost to Santos Luis Rivera, 10.
Walter Seeley decisioned Vilomar Fernandez, 10.
Alfredo Marcano and Herman Torres, no contest.
Ugo Poli defeated Natale Caredda, 8.
Jesus Alonso stopped Juan Elizondo, 1.
Santos Solis beat Francisco Rodriguez, 8.
Ronnie McGarvey kayoed Mike Harris, 7.
Frankie Benitez halted Dave Smith, 2.
Isaias Velasquez and Felix Veta, t.d. 3.
Raul Centena beat Augustin Martinez, 5.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Eder Jofre kayoed Vicente Saldivar, 4, W.B.C. featherweight title.
Danny Lopez halted Goya Vargas, 1.
Bobby Chacon stopped Jose Del Campo, 9, Jorge Ramos, 10.
Art Hafey kayoed Pablo Nieves, 5, Ad Zapanta, 2.
Rigoberto Riasco stopped Yambito Blanco, 6.
Santos Luis Rivera outpointed Love Allotey, 10.
Pedro Guzman drew with Radamas Ventura, 8.
Carlos Perez kayoed Moi Sanchez, 2, Jose Salas and Raul Centeno, 1.
Shig Fukuyama stopped Luis Hernandez, 4.
Eladio Leal outpointed Jerry Powers, 4.
Evan Armstrong kayoed Tommy Glencross, 3, British featherweight title.
Baby Casanova defeated Leo Virgil, 8.
Francisco Cruz beat Wilson Yambo, 8.
Thanomchit Sukothai halted Gene Cruz, 7.
Chanakiat Kiatmuangyom stopped Jorm Rojmongkol, 1.
Masanao San kayoed Masanao Toyoshima, 4.
Takemi Suyama stopped Tockiichi Ichikawa, 8.
Hajime Tojuu kayoed Kimio Shindo, 4.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Rafael Herrera beat Venice Borkorsor, 15, W.B.C. bantamweight title.
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Rogelio Lara stopped Victor Rocha, 7.
Nestor Jiminez halted Ismael Escober, 9.
Paul Ferreri defeated Jim West, 10.
Chuck Spence stopped Rufus Holliday, 3, beat Carmen Iacobucci, 8.
Frank Duarte halted Bobby Corona, 3.
Ben Ortiz kayoed Jose Hernandez, 3.

FLYWEIGHTS

Henry Nissen beat Masahiko Takeuchi, 10.
Fritz Chervet decisioned Franco Sperati, 10.
Bobby Holderfield kayoed Wayne Cook, 4.
Willie Jensen beat Jose Saldivar, 8, halted Rey Gutierrez, 2.
Kenichi Shimozato outpointed Kimio Furesawa, 10.

MUNDINE'S BLOOD COUNT LOW, GRIFFITH FIGHT DELAYED

By RAY MITCHELL

Sydney, Australia—Australian middleweight champion Tony Mundine (159¾) defended his British Commonwealth crown against Carlos Marks (159¼) at Brisbane, and referee Des Crabbe's points decision to Mundine after 15 rounds was roundly hooted. Marks definitely appeared to be unlucky to lose the verdict; at worst a draw. Crabbe had Mundine one point ahead.

Mundine was lethargic. He appeared to be disinterested. He saw a medical specialist a couple of days later and was told he had a low blood count and was advised to take a spell. His proposed bout with Emile Griffith in Paris was set back one month.

▲Australian and Commonwealth junior-middleweight champion Charkey Ramon (156½) unleashed a beautiful short right to Scotsman Don McMillan's jaw in the sixth round of their ten at Melbourne, and McMillan (158½) went down as though pole-axed. He beat the ten but Terry Reilly stopped it a few seconds later as McMillan was out on his feet. That Ramon punch would have decked any middleweight.

▲Two tens headlined the program at Blacktown, and in one Australian light-heavyweight champion Steve Cansdell (172) was stopped in the sixth round by Nino Pellizzaro (198)—an Australian, not an Italian. The cause of the stoppage was an unusual one. Cansdell was boxing along in front when his knee gave out and he couldn't stand. Just another odd event for the year.

In the other ten southpaw Billy O'Donnell (144¾) scored a clear points win over Johnny Galluzzo (147), a former junior-middleweight champion of Australia. Galluzzo's boxing was better but he allowed O'Donnell to steal the fight.

▲At Melbourne, Darryl Carrick (145¼) had to pull out all stops to gain a draw with New Zealander Eric Briggs (146½) in a good fight. This was their second meeting, Carrick winning the first on points.

▲At the same venue one week later Matt Ropis (135¾) and Bobby Cotterill (135½) turned on a two-man war that couldn't have done either much good. Cotterill took two counts, the first one early in the opening round. But he lasted to lose on points.

▲At Kingsford, Binky Rominski (138) edged out Hughie Williams (138) in a very good fight. Rominski was behind at half way but he stormed home well.

Last year Irish-born Aussie heavy Gerry Cambridge exchanged his boxer's license for a trainer's. Some 16 months later—he made a comeback at Kingsford. Cambridge (202) was allowed to make his own pace against young Col Howarth (190), and that, plus the most devastating right hand that Cambridge ever threw, decided the outcome.

Cambridge dropped Howarth in the fifth round but he survived. In the seventh, with Howarth boxing along as a likely points winner, Gerry unleashed that right. Howarth didn't know who or where he was after that landed, so I stopped the fight. Howarth was dazed for about a minute.

▲Same club one week later two youngsters got their chance in a main bout, and they gave their all, drawing a shower of coins from ringsiders at the finish. Johnny Huvvoch (155) edged out Nick Stepenoski (155).

▲Same Venue two weeks later Wayne Cullen (147) and Shane Patrick (150) turned on a war as though there were no tomorrow. It was bitterly contested. Patrick set up a lead with sheer hellish bulldozing and hard punching for three rounds, then Cullen introduced some boxing into it and overtook the lead to gain a split decision. My card, as referee, had Cullen only one point ahead.

▲At Woonona, Al Mander (134) and Lou Cruz (139) picked up where they left off in a previous bout eight nights earlier. Mander won the first on points. This time Cruz lifted his performance and there wasn't a punch between them in what was one of the best fights of the year. As referee and sole judge, that's how I scored it: even.

In another eight-rounder Brian Clout (116), bantamweight champion of the State of N.S.W., tossed a surprise into everyone by halting tough Tommy Strezos (115) in the first round.

▲Milton Cooper (132¼) had too much for Ceddy McGrady (132½) in their scheduled ten at Marrickville, and won by KO in the 8th round.

Bobby Cotterill (138½) was too good for Wally Carr (137¾) in their ten at Blacktown and won on points.

▲Steve Gossen (130) was a punch ahead of Willie Leslie (128) all the way in the eight at Cronulla and ran out a clear points winner. Both blotted their copybooks next outing. Gossen, this time scaling 122½ (his usual weight) surprisingly lost on points to Wayne Wallace (121) at St. Mary's, over ten.

Leslie (125¾) and his opponent Steve Johnson (121) were tossed out of the ring in the third round by referee Al Basten in a televised eight from Melbourne. Basten was to be congratulated for his action.

▲In the headliner on that Melbourne bill, Tongan Eli Fanua (153) exhibited hitting power while his opponent Phillip Barrett (159) showed real fighting spirit. Barrett was decked twice but took the fight back to Fanua. The Tongan won a clear decision on points.

▲Ray McGrady (163) was too good for Jim Bavin (161½) in their main eight at Marrickville and ran out an easy points winner.

▲At Blacktown, Ted Gray (155) outpointed Semi Bula (160) over ten.

ESCALERA ADDS J. LOPEZ TO ● LIST OF VICTIMS IN P.R. ●

By MARIO RIVERA MARTINO

San Juan, Puerto Rico—In Roberto Clemente Stadium, it was a bad night for the boys from down Mexico. Lightweight Alfredo Escalera continued to win and this time at the expense of Jose L. Lopez who was flattened in 2:57 of the sixth. Lopez started well but faded badly in the fifth and fatal sixth.

Feather Benjamin Ortiz looked as if he was going to have trouble with Mexican Jose A. Hernandez when he was stopped cold in his tracks by a resounding right to the button in the first heat. However Benjie took command in the second and kayoed his spindly opponent in the 3rd.

Sandy Torres eked out a close one over highly regarded Dominican welter Dario Hidalgo. This was a fast one in which the lanky Torres dominated from a distance while Dario did the digging in close quarter combat.

Lightie Roberto Gomez was throwing a lot of leather but received an unfortunate cut eye that forced the ref to award it to Fermin Guzman.

In the bout that caused the biggest turmoil of the evening, middleweight Nelson LaSalle was given a deserved eight round verdict over Tony Santiago. Both men visited the canvas at regular intervals and even their chief seconds went at it blow-for-blow in between one of the rounds.

In the eight round opener lightweight Jose E. Solis was lucky to get a draw against the tireless attacks of Dominican Tony Trys.

▲**Again in Roberto Clemente Stadium**—Undefeated welterweight Fausto "Ceja" Rodriguez had a close call when he scored a hairline decision over the more experienced Chuck Wilburn. Rodriguez came out steaming in the first heat. Wilburn weathered the storm and came back strong in the middle rounds as Rodriguez appeared to be tiring. "Ceja" was unable to impress Wilburn with his heavy artillery as Chuck responded well whenever he was solidly nailed by the Puerto Rico based Dominican. In the closing minutes of the bout the boys threw caution to the wind, pounding away at each other until the final gong.

Up and coming feather Santos Luis Rivera had too much speed in scoring a surprisingly easy ten round verdict over veteran Love Allotey.

In the 130 pound class Francisco Cruz took a unanimous decision from the once well considered Wilson Yambo. Yambo's sense of direction was pitiful, at the end of each round he would visit a different corner and on one occasion had to be escorted to his own corner by his opponent.

This might be a bad sign and he should retire, or at least get a clean medical slate before he attempts to get into the ring again.

Lightweight Hector Matta caught a Tartar in Dominican Bernardo Diaz. Although Hector won by a safe margin he was in danger of being stopped when he was surprised by an overhand right that dropped him in the sixth, having him on queer street until the bell sounded. Aside from this unpleasant moment he was always in command.

In eight, Dominican Santos Solis outpointed Francisco Rodriguez. In four welter Osvaldo Rey Cora electrified the fans with his fast one round kayo over Victor Lopez while celebrating his pro debut.

▲**Roberto Clemente Stadium**—Fans saw veteran Puerto Rican welter Miguel Barreto, despite a cut eye early in the bout, kayo Willie Williams in the 8th round.

In the 135 pound class Miguel Montilla outpointed Santiago Rosas in ten rounds.

In the 160 pound class Radames Cabrera TKO'ed Rafael Monrrobel in the first heat.

In the 147 pound class Laudiel Negron TKO'ed Carlos Crispin in the 5th.

In the 126 pound class Leonardo Cruz scored a seven round victory over Hector Espinosa.

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DOWNEY OVER BROUGHTON ● FOR CANADIAN LAURELS ●

By FRED BISHOP

Halifax, N.S.—Dave Downey, 159, Halifax, Canadian middleweight champion, kept his title with a unanimous 12 round decision over No. 1 contender Gary Broughton, 153, Brantford, Ont.

Downey gave Broughton a sound beating in this sizzling match before 4,000 who witnessed the new Downey. The champion, under new management, returned from two months training in New York under veteran George Gainsford and with a new top corner man, Warren Jones all but chased the game Broughton out of the ring.

Only the challenger's gameness and a jaw of iron enabled him to go the distance as every round was savage milling and although there were no knockdowns, Broughton was a badly whipped fighter as he left the ring.

In the semi-final, scheduled for ten rounds, Gary Summerhays, 175, Brantford, Canadian lightheavy champion wasted few punches as he stopped Barry Morris, 170, Cincinnati. Morris could not come out for the third round due to a bruised hand.

In eight rounds, Bill Drover, 207, Wabush, was roughed all around the ring by young John Wallace, 210, Lowell, Mass. before the veteran Canadian landed one wicked right and it was all over for Tiger Wallace, the time 1:55 of the first.

Johnny Summerhays, 135, Brantford, and southpaw Johnny North, 132, Cincinnati, were both in top shape and honors were evenly divided through the first five rounds. In the sixth, North cut loose with a two-fisted attack that had Johnny hanging on and was just enough to swing the decision to him. All and all a great card that drew a gate of $27,000.

▲**New Glasgow**—Art Hafey, 123, Stellarton, N.S. geared only to a forward speed, scored a fifth round kayo over Pablo Nieves, 120, Puerto Rico, now fighting out of Jersey City, before 3000 fans who all but took the roof off the New Glasgow rink.

Hafey, fighting out of San Diego this past year under Suey Welch and trained by veteran Burke Emery (former Canadian 175 pound boss) had now gone undefeated in sixteen fights, scoring eleven kayos.

Hafey by no means had things his own way as Nieves fought his head off and hurt Hafey in the third with smashing rights and lefts to the head but the local with all the coolness of a veteran twice his age, charged ever forward swinging left hooks and sledge-hammer rights that no welterweight could take.

Hafey, fresh from a kayo victory over former world bantamweight champion Ruben Olivares, in four rounds, opened the fifth all even with Nieves but a short left hook knocked Nieves down for a nine count, he got up fighting but the old handwriting was on the wall, Hafey bidding his time, landed hard to the body then up to the head with a smashing right and Pablo took another nine count, he crawled back up but referee Bobby Beaton wisely stopped it at the 2:50 mark. Hafey is now 34-27-4.

In the semi-final, scheduled for eight rounds, Lawrence Hafey, 144, Stellarton, was all over Hank Robertson, 145, Jersey City, and stopped him with a few seconds to go in the fourth round. Hafey, an older brother of Art's with a bold twinkle in his eye, toyed with the veteran Robertson and in the fourth came out fighting and knocked the visitor sprawling much to the delight of the crowd.

In six rounds, Joey Borden, 167, New Glasgow, and Bobby Drake, 160, Fall River, N.S., staged a war with the faster Borden ahead in five of the six rounds to pick up a unanimous decision. Brake will be welcomed back to this town anytime.

In six rounds, Gary MacNeil, 144, New Glasgow, and Peter Linthorne, 144, Stellarton, put on a fine exhibition with MacNeil just finishing ahead by a shade.

Two brothers, Danny and Ted Walsh, Merigomish, N.S., lightheavyweights, went six rounds to a draw.

▲**Halifax, N.S.**—The T.V. showing of the Cassius Clay vs. Ken Norton in the Halifax Forum was witnessed by 2500 fans and was a let-down for promoter Keith Dorey but Dorey tried a new pitch and it went over very well as he featured an eight bout amateur card that the crowd loved.

In the main event, Miles Fisher, 117, Antigonish, N.S. #2 in Canada, outpointed Brian Fitzgerald, 123, Kitchener, Ont. in a great fight. Fitzgerald is No. 3 in Canada and it was an all out war. Other results were: Gord Mansfield, 155, Cornwallis, N.S., outpointed Averill Armstrong, 148, Halifax. . .Verne Mira, 147, Halifax, beat Sandy LaRade, 148, New Waterford. . .Donnie Downey, 130, Halifax, outpointed Johnny Pastusk, 128, New Waterford. It was the best fight of the night.

Chris Clark, 117, Halifax, stopped Kevin Pastusk, 119, New Waterford, midway through the third. . .Rick MacLeod, 106, New Waterford, outpointed Jack Clothier, 106, Halifax.

John Weamer, 99, Halifax, outpointed Joe Pastusk, 98, New Waterford.

Steve Rogers, 77 pounds, lost to Don Pastusk, 82, New Waterford.

JORDAN TOO MUCH FOR ● VENT IN TORONTO BOUT ●

By FRANK ALLNUTT

TORONTO, CAN. — In an eight round middleweight fight seen on local T.V. screen, Dave Vent (Toronto), 163, found himself over-matched against Morris Jordon (Ohio), 158. Taking part in his third pro fight, Vent had to learn the hard way that he is a long way from being an eight round fighter.

Jordon just took his time, counterpunching the wild rushes and swinging punches of his inexperienced opponent. Tiring badly in the fifth round, Vent became an easy target for Jordon. In the sixth, Jordon dropped Vent with a fine two fisted attack, after taking the eight count the Toronto boxer was again dropped.

At this point the referee quite rightly halted any further proceedings.

▲**EDMONTON**—At the annual meeting of the C.P.B.F. which took place in this city, Dr. Jean LaRoche (Montreal) was elected president for the third time. Boxers Clyde Gray (Toronto) and Al Ford (Edmonton) were given ninety days to defend their titles. It was also decided that the use of amateur boxers on professional cards would be allowed. This was a bad move on the part of the Federation, there are many areas in Canada which do not have Commission control, this will open the door to the misuse of amateur boxers by promoters who still thrive in the unlicensed areas.

▲**MONTREAL**—Guerra Chavez, an ex-patriate South American, now living in Montreal, won a ten round decision over Doc McClendon (Patterson) in a card held at the Paul Sauve Arena at the welterweight limit. It was Chavez's 22nd win in 27 fights. Supporting bouts saw Angelo Milletti, 154½, and Ray Rose, 147½, fight to an eight round draw.

Jean-Claude Leclair, 159½, stopped Luigi Colavita, 168, in the initial round. Jim Henry, 141½, won a four round decision over Alain Turenne, 139¼. Jean Claude Lemay won over Jean Marie Avena who was tossed out after three rounds for incessant fouling.

▲**TORONTO**—The supporting card of the Ken Buchanan-Frankie Otero card held here at Maple Leaf Gardens produced the following results: Over ten rounds Canadian Light Heavyweight champion, Gary Summerhays (Brantford) won a unanimous decision over Casey Gacic (Cleveland) in a bout that produced very little boxing talent. Summerhays at 175 and Gacic at 171½ wrestled and bulled their way through the entire ten rounds. In a real slugfest, 'Irish' Rocky Cudney (Buffalo) 144½ had his hands full with a last minute sub in Bruce Cantrell (Spartansburg) 155½.

Cantrell, who was filling in for Morris Jordon who withdrew stunned Cudney three times during the bout but was unable to put over the finishing punch. At the end of ten rounds in a bout that the few fans on hand enjoyed the decision went to Cudney who kept his unbeaten record now at 11-11.

Over six rounds unbeaten Danny Stokes (Toronto) 136½ made it five wins in a row when he won a unanimous decision over Harvey Wilson (Ohio). In a lightweight six Jimmy Owens (Detroit) stopped Keith Savarette (Ohio) at 2:32 of the fourth.

▲**MONTREAL**—It is hoped that Donato Paduano (Montreal) will be back in action soon after his recent operation. Paduano, whose bout was against Jesus Alicia (Holyoke, Mass.) which he won on a sixth round KO, entered the hospital for an operation on his left elbow to remove bone chips and calcium. The operation was performed in Laval, Que. by the specialist who performed the same operation on the Quebec welterweight, Fernand Marcotte.

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By DON HAMILL

BOSTON, MASS. — Newcomer on the New England boxing scene is the Connecticut Boxing Club with Manny Leibert, promoter, and Vito Tallarita, matchmaker, presented a pair of shows in the Columbia Music Hall, a converted bowling alley. The shows were of the new talent variety and were well attended. Venerable Sam Silverman came thru with a pair of shows in Brockton and Worcester, respectively.

▲**WEST HARTFORD**—Kevin Pentalow, 176, New Britain, who has been doing his fighting since turning pro in the New York area, appeared before the home area fans, and scored a one round kayo over Al Mosely, 173, Lowell, who was knocked down for the count by a left hook.

Jose Carabella, 145, Hartford, won a well earned six round decision over Jose Pagon (Rivera), 145, Lowell. Pagon scored the only knockdown in the third round but was outboxed throughout the other five heats. D. C. Barker, 170, Denver, National A.A.U. and Golden Gloves champion, turned pro and quieted Muhammed Smith, 169, Natchez, Miss., who went down three times from light left hooks in the first round. Sonny Osani, 162, Naugatuck, disposed of Darryl Saunders, 159, New York, also in the first heat. Al Fryman, 131, Lowell, had too much experience and power in whipping Rinaldo Burgos, 128, Hartford, in four rounds. Dennis Reed, 144, New York, stopped Jay Oliviera, 148, Naugatuck, in the final round.

▲**BROCKTON, MASS.**—High school—Marvin Hagler, 160, Brockton, won a well deserved eight round decision over fellow-townsman, Dornell Wigfall, 168, in a bout that thrilled the large turnout. The shorter Hagler kept the action in close where he excelled. The few times that Wigfall was able to keep Hagler away he scored with good punches. There were no knockdowns but both were shaken up.

John Dennis, 200, Attleboro, had his hands full for four rounds by a wily Sylvester Wilder, 181, Palma, O., who suddenly folded in round five when Dino found his vulnerable tummy. Chris Pina, 157, Norfolk, Mass., protege of Paul Pender, knocked out Don Melosh, 154, White Plains, in the final session of their sixer. Promising Paul Poirier, 148, New Bedford, won clearly over Jose (Pagon) Rivera, 146, Lowell, in six rounds. Cove Green, 160, Bridgeport, was awarded the win over Renaldo Oliviera, 157, Wareham, who was disqualified for repeatedly throwing low blows despite many warnings.

▲**WORCESTER, MASS.**—Bob Benoit, 173, Oakham, racked up an impressive win by stopping Willie Mack, 170, New York, when the latter was unable to answer the bell four round seven. A bad cut over the right eye was the deciding factor, but Benoit was riding a comfortable edge in points and had hurt Mack with increasing consistency.

Paul Poirier, 140, New Bedford, continued his advance with his biggest win to date, an eight round decision over Beau Jaynes, 138, Lowell, New England lightweight king, in a non-title scrap. Poirier's win appeared clear cut but he had to settle for one of the split variety. Dominic Monaco, 135, New York, belted out Nelson Alvarado, 136, Lawrence, in the last round of their sixer. Jose (Pagon) Rivera, 143, Lowell, edged Juan Colon, 140, Lowell, by taking a split verdict in six rounds.

▲**WEST HARTFORD**—Duane Bobick, 220, Denver, former National A.A.U. heavyweight champion and American Olympic representative, needed less than two rounds to cut down lanky Orvin Veazey, 217½, Bridgeport. Veazey, who was making his first start in eight years, found some chinks in Bobick's armor, and rattled a few solid rights off his jaw. Bobick was able to shake them off and slowed Veazey to a walk with a solid body attack. A combination ending with a right uppercut spilled Veazey for the full count.

Kevin Pentalow, 174, New Britain, had a soft touch in inept Al Thompson, 170, Lowell, whom he stopped in the first round. Steve Sims, 149, New York, took a six round decision over Jose Pagon (Rivera), 146, Lowell, in an interesting bout. Greg Osewicki, 202, Waterbury, dropped Brian Kelly, 214, Lowell, in the first round. The over-stuffed Kelly quit, announcing that he thought he had broken a rib. Cove Green, 160, Bridgeport, finished strong to edge Cocoa Kid, 165, Springfield, in the six spot that opened the show.

▲**CORRECTION**—Two of the boxing results reported in the November issue were in error. Juan (Butcher Boy) Botta received a draw in his bout with John Coiley, which was reported as a split decision for Coiley.

Also in the same issue it was reported that Paul Poirier had lost to Justice Ortiz, when actually Poirier received the decision. An excuse can be offered but I shall not burden the readers with it. I was in error and offer my apologies to everyone, particularly, Botta and Poirier.

▲On a recent Boston show the amazing Bill Gore, now 83 years old, squired Tony Licata. Bill worked Licata's corner, but not as spry as when this writer last saw him some twenty years ago. It was nice renewing acquaintance with Bill and long time friend, Lou Viscusi.

▲**HARTFORD**—Undefeated heavyweight Duane Bobick of Denver recorded his 12th consecutive knockout victory when he overpowered Orvin Veazey in the second round of their eight-round bout here.

Veazey, now 16-8 in a career that includes fights with George Chuvalo, Mel Turnbow and Larry Middleton, never stopped coming at Bobick. However, a hard right to the body followed by a shattering right uppercut sent the Bridgeport, Connecticut, fighter to the deck for the count of 10 at the 1:38 mark.

Bobick, Olympic heavyweight boxer, is now 12-0 in a career that began in April. The 23-year-old Minnesota native weighed in at 212 pounds, 5¼ less than Veazey.

JERSEY TAKES VACATION, ● ROSA SIGNS WITH ADIOO ●

By RONNIE "BURNS" BOUSE

Trenton, N.J.—Pro boxing took a vacation this month in the state after three pleasing shows at Atlantic City. Sam Sibilio, mentor for state middle champ Mario Rosa recently announced that he has signed the contract for the long awaited state championship bout against George "King" Aidoo who now is a resident of Vaux Hall, N.J. This match will go on Nov. 1 in North Bergen.

▲**Leonia, N.J.**—Ireland's Chris Elliott, 160, KO'ed Joe Fregre, Teaneck, in the first round of their feature bout of an A.A.U. show held at Leonia High School. Tom Dovitt lost decision to Bill Barry. Curt Harris KO'ed Bob Henney in the second. Dave Lamour won decision over John Barr. Bruce Wolfe won on TKO over Dave Campbell in the 3rd, Mick Boyle decisioned Dennis Freyer. Harry Savage stopped Terry Riordan in the 3rd. Joe Halloway defeated Lee Montgomery; and Tony Lanza stopped Bill Ferrell in 2.

▲The World Boxing Association meeting in Puerto Rico elected Abe J. Greene, of Paterson, N.J. international boxing commissioner for life. Constitutional provisons were waived to make the unusual election possible. Commissioner Greene is state athletic commissioner of New Jersey, which position he has held for four intermittent terms. Greene is associate editor of the Paterson News, Paterson, N.J.

▲**North Bergen, N.J.**—The New Jersey Boxing Writers Association honored Charley Fusari, Sammy Goss, Sam Rose and Jackie Farrell recently at its annual dinner.

Goss was named "Fighter of the Year." Sam Rose, 78, was cited as the "Old Time Manager," Jackie Farrell was honored for "long and meritorious service."

▲Paterson's Joe Grier traveled upstate to New York to box Kevin Dorian at Binghamton and came home with a six round draw in a welterweight war. Grier was sharp with good left hands and fast combinations and had his foe in deep water several times but could not finish him.

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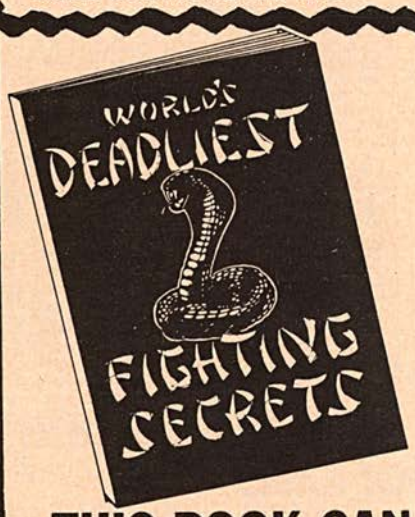

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Monterrey — Art Hafey, 124, of Canada, won by a TKO over Ruben Olivares, 126, former world bantamweight champion, after flooring him twice. Olivares was in very poor condition and was booed by his countrymen. The bout ended in the fifth round.

Rogelio Lara, 116, stopped Victor Rocha, 118, in seven. Jesus "Mortero" Alonso, 135, iced Juan Alizondo, 133, in the opening round. Tarcisio Gomez, 117, beat Saul Montana, 118, in ten. Olympian Alfonso Zamora, 117, TKO'ed Cruz Vega, 117, in three.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—In a big upset, Salvador Torres, 125, decisioned Bert Nabalatan, 122, of Philippines, in ten. Lupe Hernandez, 113, halted Carlos Rebancos, 110, of Philippines, in 6. Juan Ramon "Chilango" Perez, 117, embalmed Antonio Torres, 118, in five.

▲**Tepic, Nayarit**—Juan "Cachorro" Medina, 134, TKO'ed Fermin Soto, 134, in seven, and retained Mexican lightweight championship. Agustin Rivera, 117, TKO'ed Asuncion Joya, 117, in 6.

▲**Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua**—Jose Antonio Corral, 112, nailed Francisco Irascheta, 112, in four. Edel Borunda, 125, TKO'ed Javier Caballero, 125, in 5. Ignacio "Oso" Sanchez, 146, polished off Juan Menchaca, 147, in 3. Borunda and Sanchez became Chihuahua State's champions.

▲**Tijuana**—Octavio "Famoso" Gomez, 124, TKO'ed Antonio Garcia, 125, in two. Rafael "Pollo" Lopez, 123, KO'ed Francisco Munoz, 112, in 6.

▲**Guadalajara**—Jorge "Alacrancito" Torrez, 117, flattened Edgar Kabalhim, 117, of Philippines, in four. Juancito Alvarez, 112, whipped Santos "Cora" Rodriguez, 112, in ten.

▲**Monterrey**—David Madrid, 125, TKO'ed Gerardo Fernandez, 126, in 7.

▲**Hermosillo, Sonora**—Manuel Fierro, TKO'ed Cipriano Hernandez, 146, in ten.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Juan Ordonez, 118, TKO'ed Rosalio "Chamaco" Limon, 118, in four.

▲**Tijuana, Baja California**—Leoncio Ortiz, 134, won an unpopular decision from Clemente Mucino, 133, in 10. Carlos Mimila, 120, KO'ed David Garcia, 121, in two. Paco Sanchez, 123, disposed of Filiberto "Chamaco" Cota, 124, in 2.

▲**Guadalajara**—Alfonso Ibarra, 119, outpointed Martin Corona, in 10. Juan Zarate, 112, TKO'ed Juan Moreno, 112, in three.

▲**Acapulco**—Francisco "Borrego" Palacios, 112, won by a disqualification over Domingo Ledezma, 113, in five. Renato Ocampo, 114, TKO'ed Crescencio Rodriguez, 115, in eight.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Ruben Vazquez, 143, outscored Jose Palacios, 146, in ten. Antonio Kiris, 117, TKO'ed Julio Cruz, 117, in 5. Julio Mendez, 133, TKO'ed Jose Macias, 134, in seven.

▲**Tijuana, Baja California**—Roberto Alvarez, 112, bombed Raul Noria, 113, in two. "Moro" Rodriguez, 114, TKO'ed Alfredo Aguilera, 114, in four. Moises "Charolito" Macias, 116, TKO'ed Jose Valenzuela, 115, in 2.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Jesus "Chuy" Rodriguez, 125, bested Urbano Davila, 126, in 10.

▲**Acapulco**—Ray Reyes, 146, whipped Fili de los Santos, 144, in ten. Francisco Angelito, 134, put Mario Flores, 135, to sleep in the very first round. "Cacha" Zamora, 120, KO'ed Nacho Zavaleta, 122, in 6.

▲**Guaymas, Sonora**—Raul Martinez Mora, 125, TKO'ed Victor Rios, 125, in six.

▲**Progreso, Yucatan**—"Chamaco" Pacheco, 126, beat Jose Alonso, 131, in 6. Miguel Caballero, 114, defeated "Shibata" Escamilla, 114, in 4.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Jorge Altamirano, 117, TKO'ed Antonio Leon, 118, in 8. Antonio Nava, 124, decisioned Miguel Benitez, 125, in eight.

▲**Tijuana**—Carlos Zarate, 117, TKO'ed "Caguamo" Castaneda, 117, in nine.

▲**Acapulco**—Guillermo Becerra, 120, and Jorge Nava, 118, drew in ten. Mardonio Zavaleta, 124, kayoed Tomas Herrera, 124, in two.

▲**Monterrey**—David Madrid, 126, knocked out Lupe Arriaga, 125, in two.

▲**Guadalajara**—Juan Zarate, 112, TKO'ed Tobias "Pinguino" Sanchez, 111, in nine.

▲**Reynosa, Tamaulipas**—Apolonia Salinas, 117, KO'ed "Cachorro" Nava, 118, in two. Jesus "Chuy" Rios, 170, embalmed Pedro Barraza, 173, in seventh round.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Lupe Ramirez, 135, TKO'ed Alex Mollado, 135, in five. "Pipino" Cuevas, 133, TKO'ed Octavio Amparan, 134, in seven. Rafael "Grillo" Nava, 111, won by a disqualification over Salvador "Chino" Martinez.

▲**Buctzotz, Yucatan**—Evelio "Zurdo" Munoz, 113, beat Romulo Cortes, 112, in six rounds.

▲**Progreso, Yucatan**—Chucho Loria, 112, and Guty Espadas, 112, drew in six.

▲**Tijuana, Baja California**—Memo Rodriguez, 119, knocked out Babe Lopez, 118, in six. Carlos Mimila, 123, TKO'ed Manuel Ramos, 125, in two.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—"Pepe el Toro" (nee Pedro Mendoza), 135, of Nicaragua, TKO'ed Mario Roman, 135, in 2. Jose Luis Medrano, 117, technically kayoed Amador Sanchez, 116, in one. Raul Tirado, 112, TKO'ed Raul Arroyo, 112, in eight.

▲**Monterrey**—Cesar Ordonez, 118, TKO'ed Jesus "Chuy" Rocha, 118, in six. Julio Cesar Segura, 118, stopped Marco Rocha, 119, in 2. Fili Gonzalez, 113, KO'ed Alfredo Rocha, 113, in four. Ernesto Herrera, 124, embalmed Jose Franco, 124, in two.

▲**Guadalajara**—Carlos Vazquez, 126, nailed Jose Cruz Landin, 125, in two. Alejandro Perez, 117, outpointed Jaime Nava, 118, in ten.

▲**Merida, Yucatan**—Vicente Pool, 113, decisioned Evaristo Perez, 112, in ten rounds. It was a great fight. Jose Medina, 118, TKO'ed Rafael "Tanquecito" Gonzalez, 117, in the fourth round Chucho Cedeno, 129, stopped Mario "Zurdo" Mendez, 128, in five. Lupe Madera, 106, bested Panchito Morales, 107, in six. Mike Rodriguez, 112, kayoed Panterita de Motul, 114, in two.

LYLE KNOCKS OUT ● BLIN IN TWO ●

By MIKE HAYES

DENVER, COLO. — A smashing right uppercut followed by a vicious left hook gave Denver heavyweight Ron Lyle his 25th pro victory against a lone setback when he scored a second-round knockout over former European heavyweight champion Jurgen Blin here recently.

It was Lyle's second consecutive KO victory and his sixth straight since losing a 12-round decision to Jerry Quarry last February 9 in Madison Square Garden.

Lyle did in two rounds what it took Muhammad Ali seven rounds and Joe Bugner eight rounds to do.

Fending off several hard rushes by the German in the opening minutes of the bout, Lyle soon began to dominate the match with hard body shots that had his foe cringing. The 6-foot-1, 192-pound Blin soon began to dance away from the inside attack of Lyle, but to no avail.

Lyle continued his body assault in the second frame and hurt Blin with two consecutive lefts with 30 seconds gone. Blin was then stunned by a right uppercut and Lyle immediately followed with a left hook that dumped the German to the canvas.

Blin finally got off his back and struggled to his feet at the count of nine. However, he then staggered against the ropes, obviously defenseless, and referee Joe Ullmer wisely halted the match at the 1:01 mark of the second round.

Blin was stunned by his sudden defeat. Having trained for more than a month, he said afterwards: "He was so fast. I thought he would be much slower than he was," Blin continued. "We planned the fight on that premise—that Lyle would be slower. That wasn't the case."

Blin and his manager, Fritz Wiene, also credited the strong punching ability of Lyle.

"Lyle hits a lot harder than Ali," Blin said. "Lyle is probably the hardest hitter known in all of Europe now."

Wiene agreed. "Lyle's a very strong man. Today Lyle might be stronger than Ali. Lyle is a very strong puncher. Peralta had to give Lyle everything he had just to stay on his legs. You have to be careful against Lyle. He is dangerous from the first round to the last."

In a 10-round co-feature bout, Seattle's Boone Kirkman hiked his heavyweight record to 29-2 with a 10-round decision over veteran Lou Bailey. Kirkman knocked Bailey to the canvas once in the seventh round, but the Omaha fighter continued on his feet and was never in danger the rest of the way. Kirkman completely took charge of the bout from the opening bell.

Light heavyweight D.C. Barker of Denver, 1973 National Golden Gloves and National AAU Champion, earned his second consecutive first-round knockout with a win over John Scroggins of Phoenix. Scroggins was counted out in only 57 seconds.

Junior welterweight Larry Bonds of Denver, the 1970 and 1973 National GG titlist, made it three pro victories in a row with a third-round TKO win over "Tiger" Ray Young of Phoenix. A cut eye halted the bout with Bonds far ahead on points.

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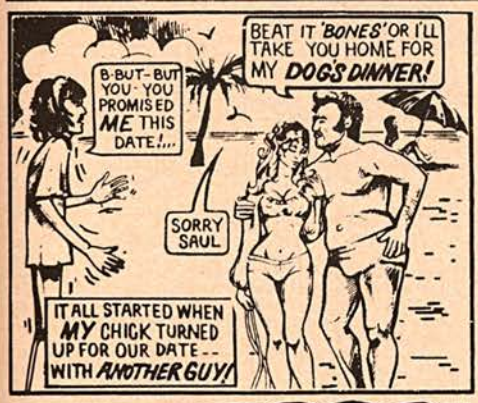

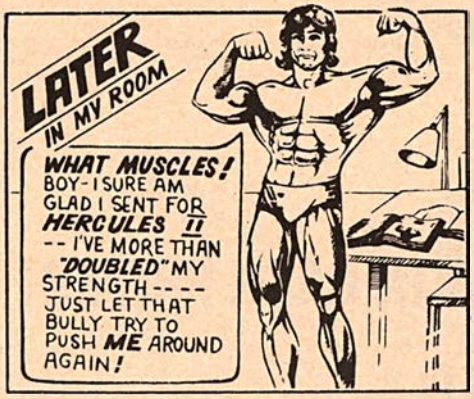

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By EDUARDO AMER G.

Merida, Yucatan—In a big upset Jose Luis Soto, 115, easily outpointed Margarito "Magallo" Lozada, 117, in 12 rounds and became new Mexican bantamweight king. Jose Medina, 118, stopped Max Sanchez, 118, in three rounds. Jose Luis "Chamaco" Cetina, 110, won by a TKO over Abundio Cortes, 112, in eight. Joe Baquedano, 138, TKO'ed Mario Luna, 138, in the very first round. Freddie Castillo, 112, won an unpopular decision from Gonzalo "Zurdo" Gonzalez, 112, in 8.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Alberto "Costenito" Morales, 112, TKO'ed Osamu Haba, 112, of Japan, in 8. Bert Nabalatan, 125, of Philippines, TKO'ed Cornelio "Memin" Vega, 129, in 6. Jesus "Mortero" Alonso, 128, demolished Riki Sawa, 128, of Japan, in opening round.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Manuel "Cochul" Montiel, 112, whipped Ricardo Delgado, 112, in ten. Memo Rodriguez, 119, TKO'ed Manuel Mendoza, 118, in 6. Jose Torres, 124, TKO'ed Modesto Concepcion, 125, of Dominican Republic, in seven.

▲**Tijuana, Baja California**—Antonio "Caguamo" Castaneda, 117, and Tarcisio "Famosito" Gomez, 116, drew in ten. Super veteran Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 135, halted Glafir Cruz, 134, in 6. Rafael "Pollo" Lopez, 123, bombed Agapito Candela, 124, in one.

▲**Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Hard-hitting Jesus "Papelero" Estrada, 125, TKO'ed Alberto Reyes, 124, of Philippines, in three. Alfonso Ibarra, 124, TKO'ed Rodrigo "Cuervo" Gonzalez, 124, in 3.

▲**Piedras Negras, Coahuila**—Former Mexican flyweight champion Constancio "Rocky" Garcia, 115, beat Estanislao Cuenca, 114, in ten.

▲**Progreso, Yucatan**—Jose Luis "Chamaco" Cetina, 113, bested Manolo Jimenez, 117, in six.

▲**Tapachula, Chiapas**—Chucho Cedeno, 126, drew with Rene "Mochila" Morgan, 128, in ten.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Antonio Leon, 119, defeated Victor Ramirez, 118, in 10. Evodio Ortiz, 112, TKO'ed Pino Pinolillo, 111, in six.

▲**Progreso, Yucatan**—Rach Camara, 124, and "Chamaco" Pacheco, 123, drew in 6. Ariel "Panterita" Nunez, 115, lost to "Popeye" Martinez, 114, in six.

▲**Acapulco, Guerrero**—Fernando "Chionoi" Contreras, 112, TKO'ed Sergio "Oso" Ayala, 113, in 6. "Remolino" Rivera, 124, embalmed Nacho Zavaleta, 124, in 6.

▲**Guasave, Sinaloa**—"Gato" Sanchez, 132, KO'ed Pedro Flores, 131, in four.

▲**Ciudad Obregon, Sonora**—Jose Antonio Lopez, 117, gained Al Torres, 117, in 10.

▲**Buctzotz, Yucatan**—Evelio "Zurdo" Munoz, 113, outscored Freddie Castillo, 112, in 8.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Juan Jose Guzman, 112, whipped Margarito "Mosco" Lozano, 112, in ten. Francisco Cabrera, 111, TKO'ed Roberto Valenzuela, 112, in 3. Atanasio Delgado, 111, and Fernando Gomez, 111, drew in 8. Martin Valencia, 112, TKO'ed Miguel Franco, 112, in two. Jose Duarte, 143, iced Hipolito Morales, 144, in 1.

▲**Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Pedro Jimenez, 125, TKO'ed Roberto Guzman, 125, in 3. Francisco "Trompo" Marquez, 117, KO'ed Lupe Martinez, 117, in 4.

▲**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Cesar Athiye, 190, bested Juan Olvera, 188, in ten. Adrian Monsivais, 124, defeated Heraclio Amaya, 125, in ten.

▲**Progreso, Yucatan**—"Chamaco" Cetina, 112, stopped Baby Gil, 113, in three. Mike Rodriguez, 111, put Ivan Mena, 112, to sleep in the first round.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Salvador "Lobito" Lozano, 117, and Cesar Ordonez, 117, technically drew in 8. Rafael "Grillo" Nava, 116, stopped Lupe Trujillo, 112, in 5. Carlos Ramirez, 117, beat Alfonso Aguilar, 116, in 8.

▲**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Gerardo Heredia, 118, TKO'ed Enrique Muniz, 117, in six. Eduardo Luna, 118, TKO'ed Juan Manuel Ibarra, 117, in six. Atilano Sanchez, 118, TKO'ed Jesus Juarez, 118, in six. Jose Luis Lopez, 117, outpointed Abel Rodriguez, 117, in ten.

▲**San Luis Potosi**—Jose Luis "Chilango" Hernandez, 140, nailed Enrique Rodriguez, 142, in seven.

▲**Acapulto, Guerrero**—Angel Javier Medel, 136, polished off Jorge Cid, 135, in 1. Antonio Zavaleta, 124, KO'ed Guillermo Marin, 124, in two.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Jose Sanchez, 117, outboxed Jorge Altamirano, 116, in 10. Miguel "Rielero" Rodriguez, 134, lost to Memo Cruz, 131, by a TKO in 6. Antonio Lopez, 117, TKO'ed Jaime Rivera, 116, in 5. Rafael "Bazzoka" Limon, 123, stopped Ventura Perez, 124, in 3.

▲**Mexico, D.F.**—Memo Hernandez, 134, bested Enrique Penaranda, 134, of Bolivia, in ten. Santiago Hernandez, 117, KO'ed Chano Bustos, 117, in five.

▲**Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Felipe Vaca, Mexican welterweight champ, 148, defeated Kid Barro, 149, in ten. Pedro Jimenez, 124, TKO'ed Lupe Hernandez, 125, in 4.

▲**Acapulco, Guerrero**—Ruben Arocha, 154, iced Alex Olguin, 157, in one. Eduardo Calleja, 116, bombed Joel Garcia, 117, in one. Yuyu Suastegui, 117, KO'ed Santiago Armenta, 117, in one.

▲**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Juan de la Rosa, 124, TKO'ed Saturnino Salas, 124, in 3. Ismael Gallegos, 125, TKO'ed Heraclio Amaya, 125, in six.

▲**Matamoros, Tamaulipas**—Roberto "Kid" Ruvaldino, 117, TKO'ed Julio Guerrero, 117, in six. It was the last fight for Guerrero who announced his retirement.

▲**Los Mochis, Sinaloa**—Valentin "Duende" Martinez, 112, TKO'ed Gustavo Rocha, 112, in 7. Joe Valdez, 124, TKO'ed Alejandro "Cordobes" Lopez, 125, in eighth round.

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SEELEY GETS NOD OVER FERNANDEZ IN FORUM 10

By SAM TAUB

With rooters for both men whooping it up vigorously, Walter Seeley, of Sayville, Long Island, was awarded a unanimous ten round decision over Vilomar Fernandez, of Santiago, Dominican Republic, in a closely waged ten rounder at the Felt Forum.

2,074 paid customers kicked in with $10,400 to see the fracas, which was not the best in the world because of the numerous clinching. . .Seeley went down in the sixth round but Referee Johnny LoBianco ruled it a slip.

Our score card had it very close. Seeley's all-out effort in the ninth and tenth rounds apparently gave him the verdict.

Referee LoBianco and judge Joe Pushkal had it 6-4 and judge Ray Kozak scored it 7-3, all for Seeley. . .The latter scaled 131 and Fernandez, 133.

The best fight of the night was the eight spot between Pedro Guzman, New York, and Radames Ventura, from Santo Domingo, which was replete with action. The draw decision was a perfect one. These two 127 pounders fought hard every moment. Ventura nailed it down with his work in the last two rounds. The crowd gave them quite an ovation. The referee was Wallace Ortiz.

In a six, Larry Davis, Teaneck, N.J., 158¾, outpointed Skipper Jones, Vineland, N.J., 154½, a unanimous award.

In the four, also unanimous, Jose Casado, from the Bronx, 186½, easily mastered Roland Cousins, New York, 188¾ pounds.

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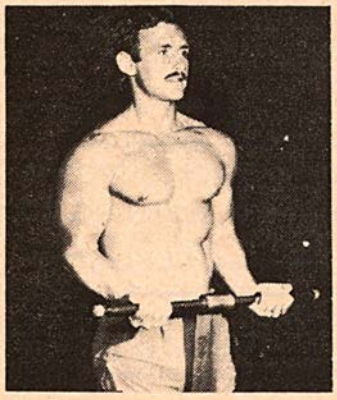

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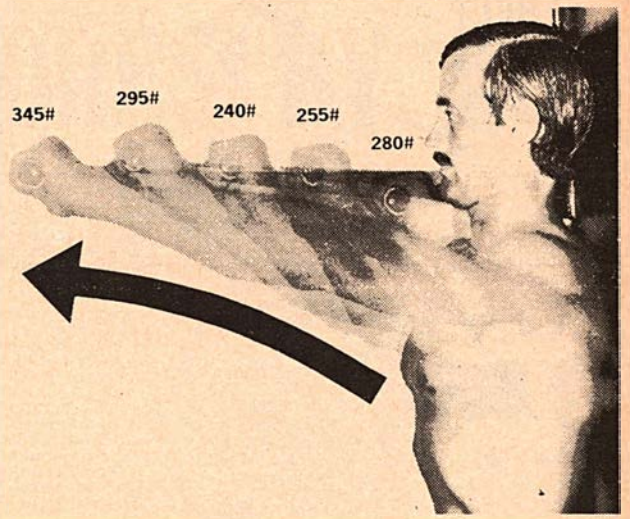

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JAPANESE REGRET THAT ●FOREMAN ACTED SO SOON●

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

Tokyo, Japan—Japanese fight fans still are talking about George Foreman and his fast KO of Jose King Roman.

The strange feature of the public reaction is that the onlookers faulted Foreman for disposing of the Puerto Rican so quickly.

The customers wanted to see more of George's heavyweight punching. They certainly had no idea that Roman would last very long but they wanted the champion to postpone the finale.

The first heavyweight championship bout ever held in Japan gathered more than 8,000 customers in Nippon Budokan (Military Art Hall). The crowd was astonished at Foreman's powerful attack which exploded earlier than wanted. Foreman, 219¼, nailed his shorter foe against the ropes, sent a flurry of wild punches to the face until one left blow dropped Roman.

The loser barely regained his feet, but his vaunted footwork got out of action. Down he went twice more and out. A final punching by the champion was a roundhouse right, solid uppercut, which made Roman sink from the head to the canvas. The victim entered the ring at 196¾ pounds.

In a 15 round go which supported a quick finish of the main event, Ricardo Arredondo, 129¼, knocked out Morito Kashiwaba, 129¾, in six scrappy rounds. The taller Mexican dominated rounds by jabbing and counter-punching constantly. His body bombardment was a haymaker.

Terry Hinky, 219¼, stopped Jim Brown, 221, in two. They were sparring partners of Foreman and Roman, both imported from the U.S.

Takatsune Shimizu, ex-Japan's titlist, outpointed Harber Watanabe, 143¼, in eight. Some spectators complained of Foreman finishing a contest too quickly before they enjoyed a furious slugfest of heavyweight punchers.

It was Prime Organization that announced that the promotion of the heavyweight card resulted in a success financially.

▲Zensuke Utagawa, Orient featherweight leader, kept his position, as he downed Choon-Kwan Park, Korea, in the sixth and the eighth rounds and the third man called a halt to save the latter from further punishment in round eight. Park, battered willing mixer, weighed a quarter pound lighter than Utagawa's 126, the limit of the class.

In a first tenner Snappu Asano proved too busy and elusive for Tetsuro Kawakami, less experienced for all his previous upset of Sarutobi Koyama, and won a unanimous nod. The fighters scaled at 121¾ pounds each.

▲Before some 8,000 fans in Sapporo, Koichi Wajima, 154-pound class champion supported by the WBA, showed superior stamina and swarmed all over a fading Italian named Silvano Bertini from the tenth round on. Bertini, exhausting more than hurt, retired at the end of the 12th canto. The kayo means Wajima's fifth straight defense since he dethroned Carmelo Bossi in Tokyo in 1971.

There were no knockdowns. Bertini showed faster hands and feet to be in command over the cautious Japanese. As the contest progressed, however, Wajima solved his opponent's elusiveness by concentrating on a body attack. Wajima dominated from the seventh to the tenth rounds, and the 12th. It was Bertini who appeared to be fading, but not enough to retire suddenly.

The fans booed the corner of Bertini directed by Steve Klaus. It was Wajima's 24th KO in 28 wins against 2 losses and one draw. The loser suffered the third setback against 45 wins and one draw. The victor tipped the beam at ¾ of a pound more than the Olympian's 153.

▲Yasutsune Uehara, hope from Okinawa at 129, finished Ricky Sawa, veteran at 131¼, in six rounds in his homeland Okinawa.

Susumu Okabe, 130, halted a losing run, as he impressively finished Mitsuo Ohashi, best hope among Shinjin-Os of this year, in the first round of a scheduled tenner.

Susumu bored in gamely to score a solid right effectively enough to make Ohashi's feet out of engine. The loser visited the canvas thrice, then the third man awarded an automatical win to the shorter ex-weightlifter.

▲Masa Ito defeated Katsumi Watanabe by a unanimous decision in 10. They weighed in at 133¾ pounds each.

▲The Orient Boxing Federation, the present office of which is located in Manila, P.I., announced that Erbito Salavarria's flyweight title should be forfeited due to his failure in fighting with the Orient championship at stake more than a year.

▲Before 7,000 fans in Hitachi City, Kuniaki Shibata, world junior feather leader, engaged in a tune-up go for his return with Ben Villaflor. The opponent was a lefty like Ben. Korean Nam-Choul Chang, 131, lasted less than four minutes, as Shibata, 133 pounds, demolished him with a smashing right in 49 seconds of the second canto.

In a semi Beever Kajimoto, 116, and Hisao Nishi, 116¾, drew in 10 monotonous rounds.

Royal Kobayashi, fast-rising Olympian at 125¾, won his 5th contest with a kayo over Katsutoshi Inuzuka, 124 pounds, in the fifth round. After see-saw proceedings Kobayashi released a strong body attack, dropping his foe on three occasions. The referee called a halt immediately.

Shozo Koguma, 111¾, decisioned Dong-Ki Cho, imported from Korea for the 4th time, in 10 frames. The veteran loser weighed one pound more than the unanimous victor.

▲London reported Hiro Hamada, Japanese bantamweight, was outpointed by Johnny Clark, British and European titlist, in 10.

A card for the national title was sensational. Some 4,000 customers were in attendance at Yokahama Gymnasium. Masanao San, feather leader at 125½, impressively halted Masanao Toyoshima, 126, in four furious rounds to retain his title in a scheduled 10 rounder. Toyo, puncher who returned from a campaign in Hawaii, was decked with San's sharp right, bled from the nose and collapsed for the count.

▲Lion Furuyama, sturdy lefty, finished a trial horse named Yoshihiro Sugatani in the opening session before his scheduled crack at Antonio Cervantes' 140-pound title. After Furu floored his rival with a short right, he had little trouble in sending Yoshi to the deck twice more. The third man called an automatic stoppage. In a supporting 10 rounder Kenichi Shimosato, 113, upset Kimio Furezawa, 112½, by a unanimous decision.

▲Tokoname City witnessed Hitoshi Nakagawa score well with a two-fisted body attack to dethrone Raizo Kashima, junior middle titlist of Japan, in four hot rounds. Hito's power had the defending champion backpedal all the way and dropped him on three occasions.

▲At Abeno Gymnasium, Osaka, Kazushi Arai outpointed Tokio Sano in 10 gory rounds. They are welterweight newcomers.

▲Fight fans here received a result of two Japanese' unsuccessful efforts against Panama's world titlists. Ishimatsu Suzuki, Orient lightweight boss, was stopped by Roberto Duran in 10 rounds. Ishi hit the canvas for the fifth time and out.

Ernesto Marcel, whom the WBA supported as a 126-pound class leader despite The Ring's calling the title vacant, demolished Shigemitsu Nemoto in the ninth round. Nemoto, inexperienced still, was battered out by the local favorite and was flattened by Ernesto's well-timed left.

DUANE BOBICK DISPOSES OF ● RAMOS IN SEVEN ROUNDS ●

By JACK LEVINSON

Norfolk, Va.—Duane Bobick, who was beaten in the Olympics by a Cuban, who recently was whipped by a Russian, won a nothing fight against Manuel Ramos, who used to be able to hit. The TKO came in the seventh round.

Ramos rarely tried to do any punching. It was a case of how long the Mexican could hold up. Never was there any question who was going to win.

The Mexican can lay claim to the satisfaction of staying longer than Bobick's nine previous opponents, who also were knockout victims.

This writer is not completely sold on Bobick yet. I have seen him perform on 3 different occasions. Ramos weighed a flabby 215, Bobick weighed 210.

The biggest surprise of the evening came in the eight round semifinal, when Obbie English, a heavyweight from Germantown, Pa., 201, outboxed and outpunched Norfolk's favorite, Speedy Jordan, 191. Speedy was sluggish and slow. He appeared to be waiting for one good shot, but the fast stepping English never let Jordan get set, hooking and jabbing with consistency and piling up points. There were no knockdowns.

"Irish Mike" Baker, of Washington, D.C. took a unanimous decision over Norfolk veteran, Oscar Freeman. Each weighed 166½. Although all three judges picked Baker, it was NOT a one sided contest.

Heavyweight Bubba Wingfield, of Norfolk, knocked out Bill Howard, of Winston-Salem, N.C. The bout ended in 2:08 of the second round. Chesapeake Policeman Greg Lamour, 155, made his professional debut, by scoring a KO in 2:22 of the first round. His opponent, Willie Crockett, Winston-Salem, weighed 160.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

LOPEZ MAKES IT 21 IN ROW, CHACON ALSO SCORES BY KO

By DON FRASER

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. – Danny Lopez upped his perfect record to 21 straight knockouts before 4,650 fans at the Olympic Auditorium.

Mexico City's Goyo Vargas, 124½, was the victim, going out for the count in the opening frame. Vargas was in retreat from the first punch, a looping right hand to the jaw.

The Mexican boxer actually landed one punch, a right to the jaw, which only made Lopez more aggressive. A volley of punches drove Vargas into his own corner.

Referee Larry Rozadilla took one look at the stricken fighter and raised young Danny's hand. The official time was 2:59.

Lopez, who weighed 123¾, is seeking a shot at the featherweight title. His manager, Howie Steindler, says he can't make the bantam limit of 118.

Chuck Zellers, 171½, Los Angeles, decisioned Polo Ramirez, 173½, Mexico, (6); Frankie Duarte, 117, Los Angeles, over Baby Corona, 118, Mexico, (3); Jose Lopez, 136½, East L.A., and Isalas Velasquez, 133½, Mexico, drew (5).

▲**SAN DIEGO**—Before a near capacity crowd at the Coliseum, "Schoolboy" Bobby Chacon, 128, San Fernando, battered Jorge Ramos, 130, Buenos Aires, into submission with just seven seconds left in the 10th and final round.

The sharp-shooting Chacon dropped the sturdy Argentine in the first and fifth rounds. Bobby had Ramos out on the ropes in the 10th, when referee Bobby Rings halted the fight.

In a display of poor taste, the fans showered the ring with debris, not agreeing with Rings' decision.

Chacon's record is now 20-1 with 18 knockouts. This was his first effort since losing to Ruben Olivares early in the summer.

▲**LOS ANGELES**—Petey Vital, 135, El Monte, and Moses Carbin, 135½, Los Angeles, scrambled through 10 interesting rounds and ended up all even.

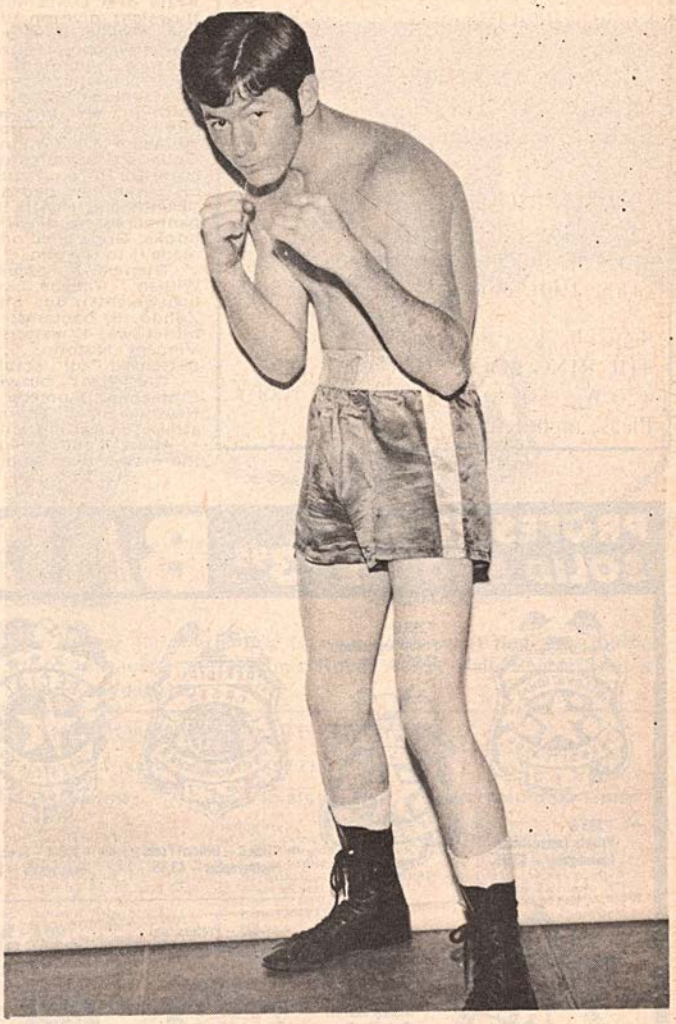
Referee Frank Rustich voted 5-4, for Carbin; judge Abe Cohen called it 4-4 and judge Dick Steele also had it 4-4.

There were no knockdowns. Vital appeared stronger in the middle rounds, scoring with body punches. There were no protests from either corner on the verdict.

Carlos Perez, 128, East L.A., KO over Jose Salas, 128, Mexico, (1); Isalas Velasquez, 131, Los Angeles and Felix Vega, 131, Los Angeles, technical draw (3); Raul Centena, 129½, East Los Angeles, decision over Augustin Martinez, 127, Mexico, (5).

▲**LOS ANGELES**—Armando (Mando) Muniz was on his way to a title match with world welterweight king Jose Napoles, till he ran into unranked Zovek Barajas at the Olympic Auditorium.

Barajas, 146, Sinaloa, Mex., won a split decision in one of the most exciting 10 round battles yet seen in the historic arena.



DANNY LOPEZ

The taller (5-10) Barajas, had too much speed for Muniz, who fights only one way—straight ahead. A superb boxer, Zovek can switch to a southpaw attack without losing any of his effectiveness.

Muniz, who has a reputation of having an iron chin, almost kissed the canvas in the fifth, when he caught a hammer like right hand on the jaw.

The stocky college graduate came on strong in the ninth and appeared to have Barajas in trouble. However, Zovek finished with a rally in the tenth to cinch the verdict.

Muniz, who lives in East Los Angeles, weighed 146¾.

The crowd was 5,106 and the gate $22,335.

In a companion ten, Shig Fukuyama, 128, Japan, knocked out Luis Hernandez, 131, Mexicali, in 2:06 of the first round.

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MORODI TAKES PETA IN SOUTH AFRICAN BATTLE

By ED CLARK

Port Elizabeth, South Africa — At the Centenary Great Hall, New Brighton Anthony Morodi proved that he is far from finished by handing out a beating to Aubrey Peta, Cape featherweight king, over 8 rounds.

Morodi's combinations were a treat to watch as he hit the slower moving Peta with heavy blows. Peta was outpunched but he kept his jabs moving and kept Morodi from crowding him. Morodi was shaken in the third with a right to the jaw but Morodi kept on moving and ducked and weaved to avoid being tagged again.

A "gift" decision was given to Fundisile Kralo over David Moyo after six rounds in the flyweight division. The fans really booed this one. Mandla Ketile outscored Quinisile April, 6, featherweights; Thozi Yako decisioned Joseph Nklapo, 6, bantams; Winkie Yaka outpointed Fikile Ngalo, 6, feathers.

▲**Durban**—A new boxing venue, Umlazi Stadium, saw former middleweight champion Gordon Goba score a thrilling victory over Abraham Sibeko on points over 10 rounds. Goba scored a convincing win and was the aggressor thruout but was cut in the sixth and his cornermen had a job with the gash. In the seventh and eighth Sibeko was almost out but hammered back with powerful left and right hooks. Goba piled on the blows and Sibeko just made it to the end.

Themba Xulu ruined the comeback bid of William Radebe, winning over 6, (junior lightweights); Joe Mthiyane decisioned Joseph Zondo, 6, bantams; Dick Goba lost to Xavier Mthethwa, 4, welters; Siphiwe Bhengu TKO'ed Vincent Ngcobo, 5, bantams; Albert Shange outscored Paul Lamula, junior welters.

The fight between Oscar Nyuswa and Emmanuel Gumede was halted in the first. Reason, the tournament started in the afternoon and became dark so contest stopped.

▲**East London**—Joe Ngidi, Jr. again proved the master over Andile Tywabi, scoring a sixth round KO at the Duncan Village Community Center.

In scoring his second inside the idstance win, Ngidi carried the fight to Tywabi who had great respect for Ngidi's heavy artillery. Tywaby fought on the defense thruout as free swinging Ngidi tried to land the winning punch. A tremendous right landed on Tywabi's jaw in the first minute of the sixth and failed to beat the count.

Griffiths Magijima scored well to best Phillip Hlophe, 8, welterweights; Temba Hlabisa KO'ed Thabo Seoka, 1; Jack Jim decisioned Enoch Hlongwane, 6, (junior welters); Guy Ratazayo outscored Temba Tshabalala, 6, (bantamweights).

▲**Port Elizabeth**—At the Great Centenary Hall, New Brighton Cape welter champion Zolile Konza lost his title on the scales and then lost the non-title fight against Terrance "Ace" Makaluza on points over 10 rounds.

Konza took a hammering and suffered a convincing points defeat. For the first two rounds Makaluza allowed Konza to do the fighting but from the third Makaluza belted Konza with combinations and overarm rights and hard swings. Konza's gumshield was sent flying on more than one occasion as he was hit with right crosses and hard jabs. Trapped in a neutral corner in the sixth Konza was severely punished.

Konza battled gamely in the eighth as a variety of punches found their mark and he was tottering around like a drunken sailor. Konza was tough and showed courage as he tried to fight back and was fit to stand under Makaluza's attacks.

▲**Durban**—Billed as the Rhodesian "Tar Baby" Mahomed Afonso (Beira) held the S.A. Heavyweight champion Fraser Memela to a draw over 10 rounds at Curries Fountain.

Starting quietly the fight warmed up sharply in the second as "Tar Baby" launched a vicious attack only to be met by Memela countering and landing a stream of straight lefts on Afonso's face with regularity.

Afonso came back with a barrage of rights and the fight with a give and take element was thrilling and the fans got their money's worth. The last round saw the fans on their feet as both boxers hammered away at each other.

Joe Sishi narrowly outpointed Abraham Sibeko, middleweights, over 8 rounds; Oscar Nyuswa decisioned Norman Hlabane, 6, (welterweights); Alfred Cele TKO'ed feather Wally van der Haar, 6; John Fraser Mkhize outscored Joseph Zondo, 6, bantams and Lemichion Mkhize won over Joseph Ngubane, 4, (featherweights).

▲**Port Elizabeth**—Les Baker, 19-year-old lightweight had command of the junior welter fight against Ronnie du Preez whom he stopped in the eighth of a scheduled 10 round fight at the Showgrounds Hall. Du Preez could have shared the third and fifth but Baker had du Preez on the retreat using straight lefts and short right crosses at close range.

Du Preez retreated almost constantly and resorted to clinching to stem Baker's attacks. Baker landed a good left, then bored into duPreez who retaliated with an uppercut but Baker sent over another left and then du Preez moved into a Baker right uppercut that put him on the canvas. Du Preez rose on wobbly legs at the count of 8, no condition to continue and the referee stopped the fight.

Cliff Manuel won the cape middleweight title TKO'ing Michel le Roux, 7; Dirk van der Westhuizen carried too many guns for Andre Nel, who was stopped in 3 (lightweights); Freddie Rust KO'ed Henry Alley, 4, lightweights; Doug de Wet TKO'ed Ben Booysen, 2, (heavyweights).

▲**Kroonstad**—Lightweight champion Norman "Pangaman" Sekgapane scored an easy victory at the Seeisoville Stadium, stopping Isaac Rakhajane in the fifth round. Using his left almost exclusively Sekgapane dealt out merciless punishment and Rakhajane, unable to take any more, raised up his hands in surrender midway in the fifth round. Paulos Twala upset Jacob Motseki over 6, (feathers); Dingaan Tabile and Benjamin Mmolokeng ended even, 6, lightweights; Israel Koadibane decisioned Michael Zim, 6, (feathers); Alfred Sibisi outscored John Masapo, 4, (lightweights). In a flyweight bout over 4, Simon Lehoko pipped Simon Sehloho.

▲**Short Jabs**—Maurice Toweel of "Springbok Promotions" flew secretly out of S. Africa to Tampa, Florida to hold discussions with Lou Viscusi, Bob Foster's manager, and the news released is that Foster will defend his crown against Pierre Fouri in Johannesburg on December 1.

A record purse offered Foster is $200,000. A party of five will journey to S. Africa and the fight will be controlled by an English referee and an American judge will be assisted by S. Africa's Sydney Beck and one other.

S. African fights are scored by three judges only leaving the referee to handle the fighters. A "no foul" rule will apply. Toweel clinched fight ahead of rival promoter Dave Levin.

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ERRATIC BUGNER SLIPS AGAIN AS HE OUTPOINTS BEPI ROS

By RON OLVER

LONDON, ENGLAND – Joe Bugner, 220, had little difficulty in keeping his European heavyweight title by outpointing Italian Bepi Ros, 239, over 15 rounds by the unanimous verdict of the referee and two judges. But the manner of Joe's victory didn't go down too well with the fans, and there was the inevitable slow handclap from those who thought that Bugner should have been able to stop the Italian.

Ros is a very deceptive fighter. He came into the ring with large portions of flesh oozing out over his shorts, causing laughs from the ringsiders, who must have thought it was just a matter of time before Bugner would finish him off.

But Ros is noted for his durability. And in spite of his appearance he is a good fighter. Bugner's seven-inch advantage in height proved a handicap, for he is at his worst against small men.

Nevertheless Bugner did his best to overcome his opponent by accurate left jabs and hard right crosses, only to see the 31-year-old Ros keep coming forward, gloves held high in front of his face, and defying all Joe's efforts to land a decisive punch.

Occasionally Ros would cut loose with flurries of blows with both hands, and it was at times surprising at the ease with which he caught Bugner. The latter seemed content to cover up as Ros came into the attack, instead of fighting back.

Instead of the champion, it was Ros who took the eye. When the fans had got over laughing at his appearance, they couldn't help but admire his tenacity and determination. And they gasped at his cool cheek in standing in his corner between rounds.

Bugner sensibly concentrated on the job in hand, and when he saw how difficult it was going to be to try and stop Ros he settled for jabbing his way to victory.

Scorecards were: referee Karl Perpeete, 72-70, a ridiculously small margin; judge Jean Deswerts, 74-63; and judge Ramon Baldeyrou, 74-68.

Alan Minter, Crawley, 160½, stopped American Ernie Burnes, 159¼, in five with Burnes "unable to defend himself." Minter showed more aggression than usual, floored his man in the second and had him seeking shelter as referee Roland Dakin intervened.

Vernon Sollas, Edinburgh, 124¾, deservedly outpointed South African Bashew Sibaca, 125½, over eight by 79-78 in an all-action contest that the

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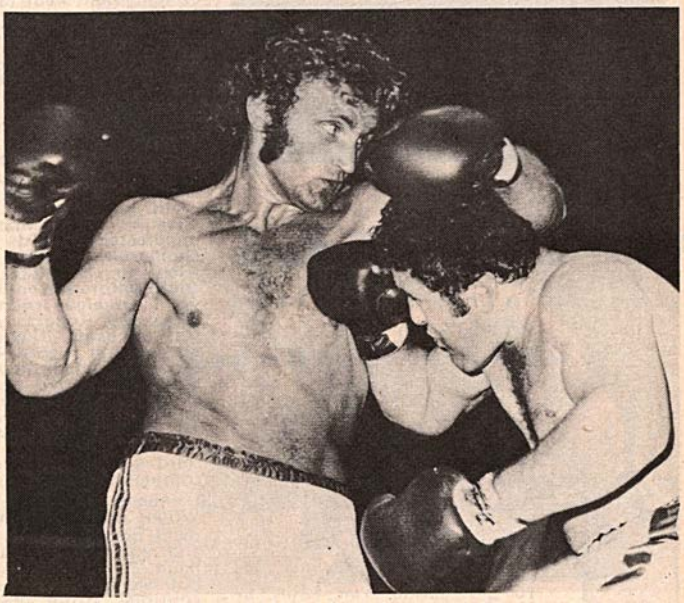

Joe Bugner (left) attempts to wear down squat Bepi Ros during their 15-rounder at London's Royal Albert Hall. Bugner won a unanimous decision.

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

(As of Nov. 15, 1973)

HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion
Danny McAlinden (I)
1. Joe Bugner (E)
2. George Chuvalo (C)
3. Bunny Johnson (J)
4. Richard Dunn (E)
5. Billy Aird (E)
6. Les Stevens (E)
7. Rocky Campbell (Ant.)
8. Fonomanu Sekona (Fiji)
9. Mani Vaka (T)
10. Wendell Newton (B)

CRUISERWEIGHT

Champion
John Conteh (E)
1. Chris Finnegan (E)
2. Roy John (W)
3. Pat McCann (E)
4. Johnny Frankham (E)
5. Baby Rolle (B)
6. Ronnie Wilson (C)
7. Gary Summerhays (C)
8. Greg McNamara (A)
9. Steve Cansdell (A)
10. Al Sparks (C)

MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion
Tony Mundine (A)
1. Bunny Sterling (J)
2. Kevin Finnegan (E)
3. Battling Laavassa (Samoa)
4. Alan Minter (E)
5. Don McMillan (S)
6. Roy Lee (J)
7. Alipate Korovou (T)
8. Fred Etuati (Samoa)
9. Kahu Mahanga (NZ)
10. Peter Clay (Samoa)

LIGHT MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion
Charkey Ramon (A)
1. Nojim Maiyegun (N)
2. Pongi Lie (T)
3. Carlos Marks (Trin)
4. Donato Paduano (C)
5. Larry Paul (E)
6. Si Nomura (Samoa)
7. Matt Donovan (Tr)
8. Pat Dwyer (E)
9. Tom Imrie (S)
10. Frank Young (I)

WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Clyde Gray (C)
1. Eddie Blay (G)
2. Marshall Butler (C)
3. John H. Stracey (E)
4. Elisha Obed (B)
5. Bunny Grant (J)
6. Fernand Marcotte (C)
7. Peter Cobblah (G)
8. Rocky Mattioli (A)
9. Paul Moore (A)
10. Des Morrison (J)

LIGHT WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Hector Thompson (A)
1. Joe Tetteh (G)
2. Ali Afakasi (NZ)
3. Pat McCormack (I)
4. Eric Briggs (NZ)
5. Johnny Summerhays (C)
6. Leo Young (A)
7. Colin Cassidy (A)
8. Sam Ryder (A)
9. Alan Presnell (A)
10. Jim Melrose (S)

LIGHTWEIGHT

Champion
Percy Hayles (J)
1. Ken Buchanan (S)
2. Manny Santos (NZ)
3. Al Ford (C)
4. Jim Watt (S)
5. Jonathan Dele (N)
6. Andy Broome (A)
7. Johnny Cheshire (S)
8. Angus McMillan (S)
9. Matt Ropis (A)
10. Tommy Sobles (E)

FEATHERWEIGHT

Champion
Bobby Dunne (A)
1. Toro George (NZ)
2. Love Allotey (G)
3. Evan Armstrong (S)
4. Art Hafey (C)
5. Tommy Glencross (S)
6. Jimmy Bell (S)
7. Billy Waith (W)
8. Bingo Crooks (J)
9. Howard Hayes (E)
10. David Poison (G)

BANTAMWEIGHT

Champion
Paul Ferreri (A)
1. Johnny Clark (E)
2. Paddy Maguire (I)
3. Dave Needham (E)
4. Sulley Shittu (G)
5. Fred Burns (A)
6. John Mitchell (S)
7. John Kellie (S)
8. Steve Gossen (A)
9. Brian Clout (A)
10. Wayne Wallace (A)

FLYWEIGHT

Champion
Henry Nissen (A)
1. John McCluskey (S)
2. Big Jim West (A)
3. Bob Eggleton (A)
4. David Natta (Z)
5. Brian Roberts (A)

Legend: An Antigua; A Australia; B Bahamas; C Canada; E England; Fi Fiji Islands; G Ghana; Gu Guyana; In India; I Ireland; J Jamaica; M Malta; N Nigeria; Nz New Zealand; S Scotland; T Trinidad; To Tonga; W Wales; BH British Honduras; Z Zambia.

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QUEBEC'S MARCOTTE STOPS ● GUZMAN IN MIAMI IN 9 ●

By HANK KAPLAN

Miami Beach, Fla.—In the opening moments of the ninth round, Referee Eddie Eckert counted ten over the prostrate form of Fermin Guzman, 150¾, Dominican Rep., but not before the Caribbean visitor had more than held his own with Fernand Marcotte, 150, Quebec, Canada. Guzman did not recover from his knockout quickly as he was worked on by Dr. Ferdie Pacheco and a team of ringside physicians in attendance. Guzman was taken to the hospital where he responded favorably to treatment.

Guzman and Marcotte produced one of the top fights of the year. A fast left jab and straight right kept tagging Marcotte frequently. In round 8, Marcotte, who had been awaiting his opening, hit Guzman with a vicious body punch forcing him to retreat a couple of steps.

Marcotte followed with a hard right which draped Guzman on the canvas as he received a flow of other blows. The referee stepped between them and gave Guzman a standing 8-count just before the bell ended the frantic round. In round 9, Marcotte walked out and drove Guzman to the ropes with a flurry of punches. Guzman slumped to the canvas and it was obvious the fight was finished.

In another ten rounder, promising Tony Greene, 171, Miami, continued with an undefeated record of 9-0-1 as he kayoed Guillermo Escalera, 171, San Juan, Puerto Rico, in the ninth round. Greene was well ahead before the ending.

In an eight round bout, Mendoza Group sponsored Roberto Ayala, 153, Hialeah, kept his unbeaten skein alive by unanimously outpointing rugged Roscoe Bell, 156, Cocoa, Florida. Ayala is now 15-0-1, and showed much improvement over his previous outing.

In a four round bout, Eladio Leal, also known as "The Cuban Kid," 126, Miami, and Jerry Powers, 126, St. Louis, fought a scorcher with Leal emerging the victor. This was the third straight win for Leal with all victories coming over Powers.

▲Several weeks ago, gentlemanly Oliver Wright relaxed during a first round admonishment being given to Raul Gorosito for fouling and was caught unaware by a powerful right hand. Oliver was dropped and got up staggered but was adjudged by the referee as unable to continue. From that moment, Oliver Wright waited for the rematch put on by Promoter Chris Dundee at the Miami Beach Auditorium.

Not only did Wright, 199, Jamaica, avenge his earlier humiliation but shut out his opponent, Raul Gorosito, 214, now operating out of San Juan, Puerto Rico, in a unanimous decision. Cy Gottfried, who had one of the stiffest nights in his refereeing career, penalized Gorosito for action not in the rule book and handed in a scorecard reading 49-39 while the other two judges saw it as 49-40 and 49-38, all for Oliver Wright.

Gorosito started off with bombs but caught a lot of accurately thrown leather. Despite the battering Wright subjected the chunky Gorosito to, the San Juan scrapper came back fighting until the sixth, when he showed extreme fatigue, holding on after feeble flurries.

Over 2000 fans watched Oliver Wright boost his record to 11-2-0 while Gorosito, a New York Golden Glove champion, dropped to 13-3-1.

In the eight round semi-final, red-hot Tony Greene, 171½, Miami, effectively out-punched Guilermo Escalera, 170, Puerto Rico, to win a unanimous decision. Utilizing the stance and shuffle of Muhammad Ali, Tony peppered Escalera with right leads and beat him to the punch all night.

Escalera, a tough youngster, fought back all the way to make this the best fight of the show. Greene remained undefeated with an 8-0-1 record.

In another eight rounder, Angel Estevez, 168, Hialeah, decked Henry (Slick) Mitchell, 163, Brunswick, Georgia, in round 8 to win the judges verdict. Midway in the bout, Mitchell ran out of gas and though he landed some clean punches, fought sporadically and out of his shell. Estevez made this win his 12th consecutive victory without a loss.

▲It is doubtful that there is a more skilled craftsman among boxing artisans than light heavyweight Vinnie Curto, of Boston. At least, skeptics would have an argument on their hands from 3000 fans who watched him artfully chop down journeyman Tommy Hicks, 175, Ithaca, New York schoolteacher, in the eighth round at Convention Hall. Curto, 172, artfully avoided every head punch thrown by Hicks and pummelled Tommy at will to the head and body until eye and ear damage caused a halt.

The 18-year-old Curto ran his brilliant record to 13-0-0 and will probably be hunting for the more glamorous names in his division t early 1974. The Mendoza Group feel confiden that Curto can be steered toward a title shot in another year, and so does Angelo Dundee, who worked in Vinnie's corner. In less than one year as a pro, Curto has become the top drawing card in Florida.

In a companion ten round scheduled bout, Marcel Clay, 168½, Opa-Locka policeman, fell victim to the speed and right hand blows of Tony Greene, 170½, Miami, who ran his record to 7-0-1 and blighted Clay's record with a three bout losing streak.

On each occasion, Clay lost mainly due to a bruising problem around his left eye. It appears that the slightest blows around the optic causes an immediate swelling until his sight is so impaired as to reduce his effectiveness by 50 percent. The bout with Greene was stopped by the referee in round six when it appeared Clay was taking unavoidable punishment.

In a good sixer, Ricky Samaratana, 134, Miami, dropped a decision to Leroy Walker, 140, Miami, who came on strong to drop Ricky just before the bell ending round six. Samaratana's only two losses have come at the tough fists of Leroy Walker.

In another six, John L. Johnson, 201¾, Tampa, extended his winning streak to 8-0-0 as he stopped Bob Curtison, 195, Miami, in round five, but not before Curtison proved a stubborn opponent for 4 rounds.

▲Angelo Dundee was packing a larger bag than usual as he prepared for a trip around the world with Muhammad Ali. A bout with Dutch Rudi Lubbers in Djakarta, Indonesia, is first on the agenda, then a series of exhibitions in various Asian capitals will follow.

All this activity is designed to keep Ali in a "ready" position for his upcoming battle with Joe Frazier in New York. Angelo and company will be gone from the Miami scene for one full month, one of the longest trips ever made by trainer Dundee.

The most ambitious amateur boxing program in the history of the Miami area is being planned by Dick Lee and the City of Miami. In addition to the establishment of Miami as headquarters for the Florida State and regional Golden Glove tournaments, bids are being submitted by the City Fathers to acquire the 1974 National AAU Tournaments for Miami.

All major tourneys are being planned for the Orange Bowl with national television hook-up.

Lee's weekly shows at the City of Miami Arena in Coconut Grove is bolstered by the efforts of staffers Jimmy Mackey, Harry Belafonte, Jose Maceo, Perfecto Garcia and Sal Bunetta, all former pros who show a rare dedication in the teaching efforts.

Another hero of the local amateur programs is Jackie Grover, assistant to PAL Director Dick Tobin, whose program on Miami Beach has taught invaluable lessons to the kids in the resort city.

The PAL youngsters have performed frequently on Promoter Chris Dundee's shows at the Miami Beach Auditorium, on many occasions stealing the applause of the ringsiders.

Former crack welterweight from Miami, Billy Lauderdale, now doing the same kind of job in the construction field, is a frequent supporter of local boxing. . .Former top Connecticut lightweight, Jackie Pilkington, reports that his brother Charlie Pilkington, who preceded him in making ring headlines, is on the sick list and making slow progress. . .Manager Ritchie Riesgo is in the process of developing a new group of local boxing talent.

VENTURA OVERMATCHED, ● CHUVALO SCORES IN THIRD ●

By HARRY GILL

Buffalo, N.Y.—George Chuvalo stopped Tony Ventura, 205, Lockport, in the third round, in the village of Cheetawaga, a suburb of Buffalo. It was a good fight for a round and a half. Then Chuvalo let go with a crashing right hand, that sent Ventura down for an eight count.

In the third round it was disaster for Ventura. Tony was dropped twice again, and was cut over both eyes. Referee Pete Sacco stopped it.

James Mobley, 165, Rochester, N.Y. decisioned Earl Carter, 169, N.Y. in six rounds.

John Jackson, 205, Buffalo, stopped Frank Scham, 200, Columbus, in the last round of a sixer.

Don Rucker, 160, Buffalo, KO'ed Percy Hassey, 169, Elizabeth, N.J. in the first minute.

Len Harden, 160, New York, stopped John Taylor, 160, Lockport, in the fourth.

Monzon Hand Injury Said To Delay Ring Farewell

By J. A. TREE

BERLIN, GERMANY – It is reported that in beating Jean Claude Bouttier in Paris recently, Carlos Monzon, the middleweight champion, injured his right hand. The titleholder and management have said nothing about a mishap, but they always have been secretive.

A hand injury would keep Monzon out of action until February and would postpone the fight with welter champion Jose Napoles which, it is said, is on the tapis and is expected to be Carlos' last battle before retirement.

Monzon made an eminently successful defense of his crown in Paris, outpointing Bouttier over 15 rounds. The Frenchman was decked on three occasions before a crowd of 14,000 in the Roland Garros tennis Stadium. When Bouttier challenged Monzon last year he stayed twelve rounds with the champion with a crowd of 30,000.

Monzon is not the fighter he was but he is still a class above Bouttier. The Frenchmen will have to look again for a fighter of the likes of Georges Carpentier or Marcel Cerdan. Bouttier can collect the European crown the ruling bodies took from him for not facing Tom Bogs.

The recent Paris event presented by promoters, Benaim and Michael is, with film star Alain Delon providing the necessary financial backing required to bring a world title of this kind to Europe, saw Monzon making his 8th defense since winning the crown from Nino Benvenuti on November 7th, 1970.

All of the officials scored in favor of Monzon. Referee Harry Gibbs, Great Britain, 145-139, and judges Herbert Tomser, Germany, 148-145, and Ambrosini, Italy, 147-138.

In London, European heavyweight champion Joe Bugner outpointed 31-year-old Italian Bepi Ros over fifteen rounds to retain his title. The bronze medal winner at the 1964 Tokyo Olympics surprised all by staying the course and Bugner's performance disappointed. Since the war we have seen eight European heavyweight title bouts between British boxers and those from the Continent with only British Billy Walker losing to Karl Mildenberger.

The future of German boxing depends entirely on new faces like Eckhard Dagge, Bernard August, Hartmut Sasse and Leo Kakolewicz, all managed by veteran of the game Fritz Gretzschel.

All made their professional debut in March this year and all remain undefeated in half a dozen or more starts. Dagge, who is at present playing the leading role of this 'quartet' collected the German

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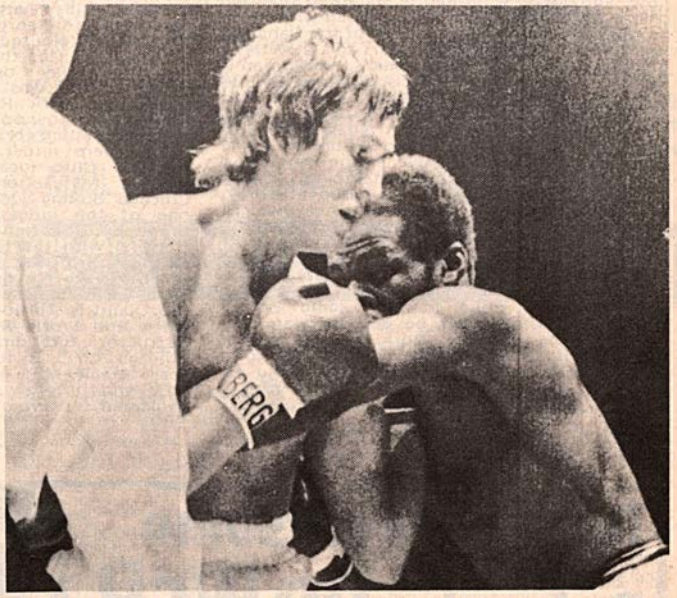

Germany's Eckhard Dagge and Trinidad's Matt Donovan at close quarters during the early moments of their Berlin meeting which saw Dagge score a two-round knockout.

EUROPEAN RATINGS

(As of November 15, 1973

Heavyweights
*1. Joe Bugner (GB)
2. Bepi Ros (I)
3. Jose Urtain (S)
4. Mario Baruzzi (I)
5. Rudi Lubbers (H)
6. Bernard August (G)
7. Hartmut Sasse (G)
8. Jan Lubbers (H)
9. Casimiro Martinez (S)
10. Ray Patterson (Sw)

Light Heavies
*1. John Conteh (GB)
2. Tom Bogs (D)
3. Rudiger Schmidtke (G)
4. Karl Heinz Klein (G)
5. Conny Velensek (G)
6. Aldo Traversaro (I)
7. Domenico Adinolfi (I)
8. Eric Nussbaum (Switz)
9. Renzo Grespan (I)
10. Mario Almanzo (I)

Middleweights
* Title vacant
1. Jean Claude Bouttier (F)
2. Max Cohen (F)
3. Fabio Bettini (I)
4. Gratien Tonna (F)
5. Sauro Soprani (I)
6. Eckhard Dagge (G)
7. Tom Jensen (D)
8. Joel Le Guern (F)
9. Michele Chapier (F)
10. Luciano Sarti (I)

Junior Middles
*1. Jacques Kechichian (F)
2. Silvano Bertini (I)
3. Johann Orsolics (A)
4. Jose Hernandez (S)
5. Francis Vermandere (F)
6. Jose Duran (S)
7. Fighting Mack (H)
8. Christian Larsen (D)
9. Aldo Bentini (I)
10. Max Heibesen (Switz)

Welterweights
*1. Roger Menetrey (F)
2. Jorgen Hansen (D)
3. Marco Scano (I)
4. Robert Gallois (F)
5. Jose Gonzalez (S)
6. Giuliano Nervino (I)
7. Jacques van Mellaerts (F)
8. Walter Blaser (Switz)
9. Kurt Hombach (G)
10. Domenico Di Iorio (I)

Junior Welters
*1. Toni Ortiz (S)
2. Bruno Arcari (I)
3. Roger Zami (F)
4. Cemal Kamaci (T)
5. Piero Ceru (I)
6. Romano Fanali (I)
7. Bernard Creton (F)
8. Baldessarre Picone (F)
9. Bruno Freschi (I)
10. Tomasso Marocco (I)

Lightweights
*1. Antonio Puddu (I)
2. Enzio Pizzoni (I)
3. Giuseppe Carbonara (I)
4. Enzo Petriglia (I)
5. Elfisio Pinna (I)
6. Perico Fernandez (S)
7. Dominique Azzaro (F)
8. Manuel Calvo (S)
9. Leonard Tavarrez (F)
10. Jean Piedvache (F)

Junior Lights
*1. Lothar Abend (G)
2. Ugo Poli (I)
3. Mario Redi (I)
4. Mario Sanna (I)
5. Giogio Merlin (I)
6. Felix Brami (F)
7. Domingo Jiminez (S)
8. Miguel Molleda (S)
9. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
10. Domenico Chilorio (I)

Featherweights
*1. Gitano Jiminez (S)
2. Jose Legra (S)
3. Elio Cotena (I)
4. Daniel Vermandere (F)
5. Bruno Pieraci (I)
6. Rodolfo Garcia (S)
7. Nevio Carbi (I)
8. Ramiro Suarez (S)
9. Enzo Farinelli (I)
10. Ramiro Marichal (S)

Bantamweights
*1. Johnny Clark (GB)
2. Franco Zurlo (I)
3. Bob Allotey (S)
4. Salvatore Fabrizio (I)
5. Guy Caudron (F)
6. Tony Sassarini (I)
7. Ambrogio Mariani (I)
8. Ferdinando Ripamonti (I)
9. Luigi Tessarini (I)
10. Efisio Onidi (I)

Flyweights
*1. Fernando Atzori (I)
2. Fritz Chervet (Switz)
3. Emilio Pireddu (I)
4. Franco Sperati (I)
5. Dino Contemori (I)
6. Mario Garcia (S)
7. Franco Udella (I)
8. Giovanni Mura (I)
9. Kid Romero (S)
10. Dominique Cesari (F)

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"RINGSIDE" WITH "SAILOR" DON SAUER

The thumping of the drums will be heard in the distance—as Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier prepare for their encore—Ali is the greatest guy for ballyhooing a fight—he is a "ticket seller" and this is the name of the game—but I am afraid when it is all over—neither will be a winner—because young, and strong—George Foreman will sit in the background—and he's going to be an awful hard man for either of them to unseat—Ali is reaching the 32 year mark—and Frazier is "shopworn"...too many tough fights, being the collector that he is—so Foreman is safe—but he's in for a good pay-day when the winner gets the "shot" with him.

"Like father—like son"—Chris Dundee has his son Mike involved in the boxing business now—and Mike is presently handling the ring destiny of welterweight Elisha Obed who could be the best fighter to come out of the Bahamas since Yama Bahama, many years ago...Veteran boxing manager and gym owner, Joe Herman is back in his native San Francisco, after a 24,000 mile jaunt around Europe, England—and winding up in Nairobi, in East Africa, seeking fistic talent to display in west coast rings—but Joe came home empty-handed—at the age of 74 years—Herman is still active in the game—and still looking for a world champion...Larry Frazier, managed by San Francisco attorney, Leo Fried, is still the best looking heavyweight prospect in California—and it will be interesting to see how he responds when matched against some of the rated lads active today—he's yet to be tested to any extent...Jimmy Dupree, who campaigned for many years—is on his way out after losing a duke to also aging Bobby Cassidy—in what might be described as "the battle of the oldies"...Burk Emery, former Canadian light-heavyweight champ, and good battler in his day, who was managed by Al Bachman of N.Y., is now based in San Diego, and is training transplanted Nova Scotian, Art Hafey, who is a real big winner in South California rings...Hafey has an older brother Lawrence, who campaigned in New England rings for years—a fighting family...A rendezvous for fight buffs is Patsy Perroni's Club 16 in Red Bank, N.Y.—Patsy boxed all of the "iron" in the heavyweight division from 1928 to 1941—including a ten rounder with Joe Louis...while speaking of "oldies", former middleweight king, Billy Soose, who won the crown from my late navy pal, Ken Overlin, owns a night club at Lake Wallen-Paupack in the Pocono Mountains and is doing well—Soose was always a "class guy," inside the ring and out—now it is paying off for him...Former New England middleweight champ, Johnny Coiley, has a younger brother Jim who is destined for success in the ring—Jim is a real good puncher and many figure, including his dad, Johnny, Sr., that Jim will make it all the way to the top...we'll be watching this young man...Isn't Mike Quarry having trouble with new manager Gil Clancy and isn't he seeking to escape his one-year contract???? Veteran fight manager, Billy Daly is still smarting over his tiger's loss to George Foreman in Tokyo—Jose Roman was clouted a "shot" while seated on his trousers in the first round—sort of a "clincher."—Jay Edson, who refereed the fight thought that was O.K...nothing was done about it...Clark R. Williams heads the new boxing club now operating in Norfolk, Va., and they are hoping to run shows every two weeks down there under the auspices of Virginia Athletic Club—located at 332 Granby St., looking for action fighters...Doc Frankel, Chicago boxing judge who died recently, was one of the judges in the Joe Louis-Jimmy Braddock title fight in Chicago...It was nice chatting with the top trainer in New England, Al Lacy, who was shopping at Jordan Marsh in Boston the other day—Al trained Paul Pender and Jack Sharkey when they were on top...and is still looking for young fighters to teach and work with...Mike Triolo, boxing instructor and director of boxing for the Chicago CYO is feeling much better after a heart attack—Mike goes to the gym once a week now—and it is always nice to hear from this dedicated servant of the fight game— we wish you a complete and speedy recovery—ditto for your pal, Leo Rodak, former champ who also suffered a similar fate...Mike and Leo were buddies in the Marines during the "big clambake"—WW II...Vic Weiss is the new co-manager of Mando Muniz along with veteran Jake Horn, who owns the other half of the fine young gladiator...Rumors now that Willie Reddish will take over the training of Joe Frazier—Reddish trained Sonny Liston when he was "on top" years ago...Ex-champ, Muhammad Ali as a TV talk host—?? That's in the works, according to producer Marty Pasetta, who has Ali signed and sealed...Pasetta just finished producing the Frank Sinatra special—now will devote his time to taping Ali and his guests...how about that???...A fine young fistic prospect operating in and around Indianapolis is Norman Goins, who is managed by youthful but knowledgeable, Bruce Trampler, who had veteran middleweight Billy Douglas on a big winning streak earlier...Bobby Dykes, who boxed just about everyone in the welter ranks in the fifties and lost a close duke to Kid Gavilan, when he was the king, went to the Virgin Islands with his wife for a vacation and tried riding a Honda for the first time—Dykes was "floored" twice—the wife had to lift the bike off of him—this is more than any opponent had been able to accomplish in years of boxing...!! Dykes is a "look-alike" of aging movie star, Henry Fonda...now I know you'll remember him—tall and rangy and a good boxer...Middleweight Irish Mike Nixon is back with his old mentor, Mel Epstein and a wise move on the part of Mike—who is a brother-in-law to the Quarry's—Nixon married Wilma of the Quarry clan...Richie Querrero, Chicago boxing coach for the Park District and the Golden Gloves in the Windy City, was a very good amateur boxer who beat Floyd Patterson, Johnny Saxton and the late Wallace "Bud" Smith, who all won world titles after turning pro...Howie Steindler, who owns the Main Street Gym in Los Angeles, has a real hot piece of fistic merchandise in Danny "Little Red" Lopez, who is a consistent winner—and could be destined to get a shot at the world crown before the New Year is over...Sad Sam Silverman brought boxing back to Brockton, Mass., the hometown of Rocky Marciano (they even named the Brockton High School football stadium Rocky Marciano Stadium)—and has many "local boys" who are active there...Brockton, Mass., with a population of 65,000 has two gyms operating daily—and a lot of youngsters aspiring to be fighters...Freddie "Red" Cochrane, who was piloted by Willie Gilzenberg to the world welter title in 1940, duking the champ, Fritzie Zivic, is now a liquor salesman in his native Elizabeth, N.J.—Gilzenberg is currently involved in the promotion of boxing and wrestling...It is time that Mike Hayes and Bill Daniels, who handle the business for Denver heavyweight Ron Lyle, "make a move" with their tiger, as time is rapidly running out on the aging Lyle...and since the Quarry defeat, Ron has not met any formidable opposition...Tex Hager is the new promoter in Portland, Oregon and will try to go with a show 3 times a month out that-a-way...Barbara Dunn, the new boxing commissioner in Connecticut still refuses to grant a referee's license for "hall of famer" Willie Pep...despite pressure from fans and boxing people all over the world...wonder why??? She won't say...Ray Alvis, former Chicago fight manager is dead at the age of 80 in Washington...Boone Kirkman, who is his own manager, he learned the business from the late Jack Hurley—is drawing real good, boxing "on top" against all the ranking heavyweights in the great northwest and northern California in Seattle...Terry Hinke is one to be tabbed as a comer—he is handled by competent Dick Sadler, who was deserted by George Foreman...Former welter contender of the fifties, Chico Vejar is the secretary to the commission in Connecticut..."Duke" Stefano, the N.Y. Garden matchmaker, will book any good fighter with the credentials...The Sugar Ray Robinson Youth Foundation has been awarded a $300,000 grant by the California Youth Authority to combat juvenile delinquency at 25 Los Angeles schools...the former two-division champion said since its inception four years ago, his foundation has worked with about 50,000 youths.

Salt Lake City fight manager, Angelo Curley got a lot of mileage out of Don Fullmer, over the years—now Fullmer has said he has finally decided to "hang up the gloves" for good...he has been a credit to boxing—always in shape and ready to box—anywhere—and at anytime ...and always gave a good account of himself...Even though veteran lightweight Frankie Crawford is barred from fighting in California, the commission's hands are tied if he attempts to campaign where California has no agreement...like Brazil, where Crawford lost to W.B.C. featherweight champion, Eder Jofre...Veteran heavyweight George "Scrap-Iron" Johnson, who boxed in California and the west for years, was named after movie star George Raft—Johnson's dad was a great fan of Raft's...how about that...?? See you next month—keep punching!!!!!

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CANUL OVER FITZGERALD IN TEN HEATS AT BELIZE

By HENRY YOUNG

Belize, British Honduras—A boxing card held on Bird's Isle, Zordo Canul, Mexico, decisioned Fitzgerald King, Jamaica, over 10 rounds.

Chester Audinett, Belize, decisioned Jose Martin, Mexico, over 10 rounds.

Shorty Clarke, Belize, TKO over Hector Mendietta, Mexico, in the 8th round of a scheduled 10 round bout.

OLIVEIRA KEEPS BRAZIL TITLE, SEVERINO OUT IN 1

By BO ZAINE

Sao Paulo, Brazil—Brazil fight fans saw quite an argument. Miguel de Oliveira, brazilian junior middleweight champion, defended his Brazilian title against the official contender Manoel Severino, unrated.

Oliveira maintained his title brilliantly, kayoing his foe in one round.

RIO TALKS MUCH RINGO BUT IT IS JUST CONVERSATION

By SIMON BRONENBERG and ALFREDO PORZIO

Rio de Janeiro, -There is talk of Oscar Bonavena getting a big match in New York or Los Angeles. But there is nothing definite and it is not certain that Ringo is ready to go back to the ring after hand injuries. Recent results:

▲**Carhue**—In the welter class, Miguel Angel Gutierrez kayoed Omar Carcamo in nine.

▲**Bariloche**—Welter Raul Sosa no decision vs. Redomires Madariaga, Chile, in fourth.

▲**Buenos Aires**—Welter Miguel Angel Campanino beat Mario Guilloti by a medical decision in 5th round.

▲**Buenos Aires**—Argentine lightweight champion Hugo Gutierrez beat Manuel Lopez by a TKO in six.

▲**Tucuman**—Welter Catalino Sosa outpointed Pedro Beron in 10.

▲**Bahia Blanca**—Junior middle Juan "Yanny" Garcia whipped Angel Osuna in 10.

▲**Resistencia**—In the welter class Eraclio Sena and Francisco Fernandez drew in 10.

▲**Salta**—Ex-Argentine bantam champion Victor Cardenas, now in the feather class, beat Alberto Luque in 10 rounds.

▲**Mendoza**—In the junior light division Pedro Aguero outpointed Hugo Bidyeran in 10.

▲**Chacabuco**—Domingo Casco kayoed feather Manuel Saucedo in seventh round.

▲**Trelew**—Junior lightweight Julio Campagna whipped Oscar Barrios in 10 rounds.

▲**Villa Mercedes**—In the junior middle class, Ramon Feldman kayoed Ernesto Pizarro in second round.

▲**Cordoba**—Ex-Argentine bantam champion Jose Casas kayoed Andres Abalos in second round.

▲**Parana**—Middleweight Miguel A. Duro kayoed Carlos Reato in fourth round.

▲**Pehuajo**—Lightweight Miguel A. Aguila and Gregorio Villavicencio drew in 10.

▲**Concordia**—Middleweight class, Argentine champion Antonio Aguilar and Juan Carlos Bogado, drew in 10. (Non-title)

▲**Buenos Aires**—At Luna Park, Argentine and South American light heavy champion Victor Galindez beat Raul Loyola on points in 12 rounds and retained his crown.

▲**Buenos Aires**—In the welter class Carlos A. Garcia kayoed Ruben Giordano in nine rounds.

▲**Resistencia**—In the heavyweight class Domingo D'Elia beat Ramon Larrosa in seventh by a medical decision.

▲**Rio Cuarto**—In the same night and in the junior welter class Mario "Hammer" Miranda outpointed Hugo Davila in 10; **middles jr.** Hugo Ladino kayoed Raul Fleitas in third; **middles:** Gregorio Navarro won on points from Juan C. Artaza and **lightweight:** Jorge Gomez won from Miguel Maldonado in fourth by KO.

▲**Villaguay**—In the feather class Hector Uviedo and Rodolfo Calderolli drew in 10.

▲**Tucuman**—In the light division Ramon Moreyra kayoed Martin Leiva in 5th.

▲**Catamarca**—In the light division Angel Diaz kayoed Carlos Casor in 4th.

▲**Villa Mercedes**—Miguel A. Yanez and Miguel Saul drew in 10. They are lights.

▲**Comodoro Rivadavia**—Welter Hugo Martinez kayoed Emilio Diaz in fourth round.

▲**Concepcion del Uruguay**—In the welter division Omar Zarza beat Hector Gomez by points in 10.

▲**Tunuyan (Mendoza)**—Undefeated in the feather class, Mario A. Ortiz kayoed Ramon Ojeda in second round.

▲**Rufino**—Oscar Raimondo and Hugo Ibarra drew in 10. They are welters.

▲**Buenos Aires**—Feather Domingo Casco kayoed Rodolfo Calderolli in third round.

▲**Bahia Blanca**—Argentine feather champion Oscar "Cachin" Mendez, whipped Antonio Figueroa in 10 rounds. (Non title bout)

▲**Mendoza**—In the light class Juan I. Vedia kayoed Hugo Bidyeran in fourth round.

▲**Resistencia**—Pedro Mesa and lightweight Ramon Oviedo drew in 8 rounds.

▲**Tucuman**—In the bantam class, Argentine champion Benicio Sosa outpointed Carlos Cordoba in 10 rounds. (Non-title bout)

▲**Cordoba**—In the fly division Julio C. Saba kayoed Alberto Correa in first round.

▲**Mar del Plata**—In the junior welter division Alberto Pili kayoed Osvaldo Scazziota in five rounds.

▲**Villaguay**—In the light heavy class Juan A. Cardozo beat Ivan Rojas on points in 10 rounds.

▲**Salta**—In the light class Carlos Ibanez beat Aparecido de Oliveira by points in 8 rounds.

▲Undefeated in the fly class Carlos Escalante whipped Bruno Chaine in 10 rounds.

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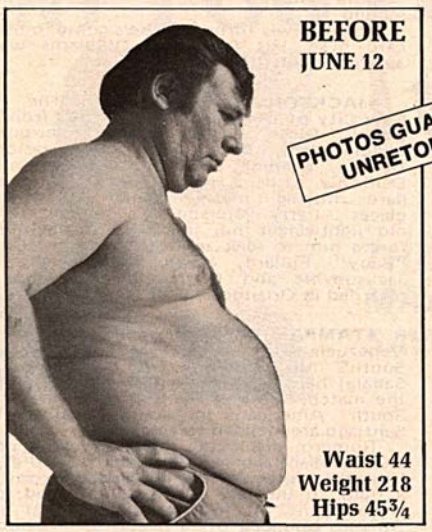

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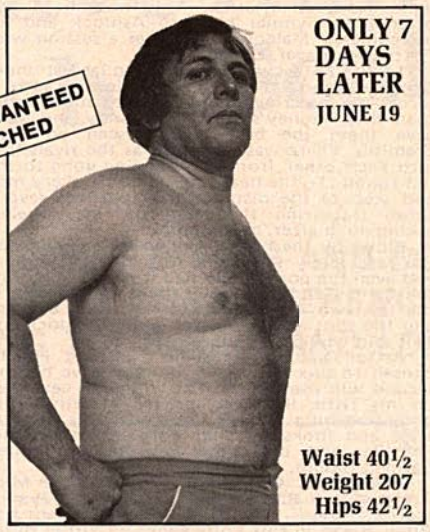

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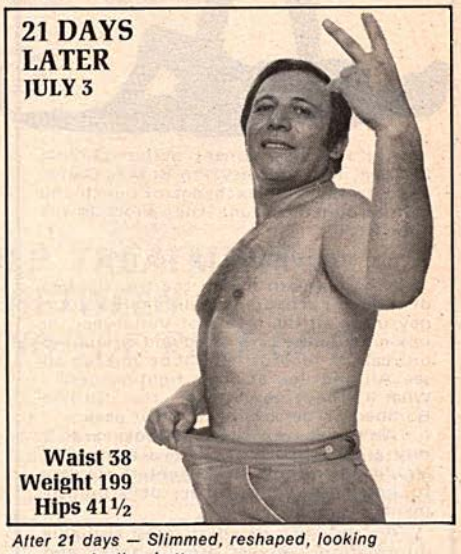

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MIKE QUARRY TRIES TO SLUG ● WITH KENDALL AND FAILS ●

By TOM EPHREM

Orlando, Fla. — Hot-headed Mike Quarry, the temperamental Irishman with excellent boxing ability, left it home, preferring to fight and slug it out with veteran Andy Kendall. The luck of the Irish was denied Mike and the 22-year-old went down in defeat after ten blistering rounds.

Thus Kendall not only gained sweet revenge for a 1971 loss but a try at Bob Foster and the light heavyweight title. This was the token offered the winner by Pete Ashlock and his matchmaker Malcolm Tait after a session with Foster's manager, Lou Viscusi.

To the 2311 customers, second largest under Ashlock and Tait presentations, and a record-paying crowd, they received much more than their money's worth for Andy and Mike gave them the best they've seen on local premises. There was no let-up as the rivals tore into each other from the opening gong to the last round. To the head, to the body, every inch and step of the distance they battled, several times fracturing the rules but nevertheless asking no quarter, giving none.

Blows by the bushel landed on each fighter, the fans rarely sat down from the excitement and even the poor judges had it rough in scoring the fight. Kendall relieved them with a rally in the last two rounds and to him went the nod and the shot at Bob Foster which Ashlock and Tait said would take place here.

As for Quarry, he lost his own fight. Had he chosen to box and move, he may have had his second win over Andy. The winner, a new lease on his fistic life now, proved effective with body punching. He was a reminder this night, in style and looks, of that Fargo Express, Billy Petrolle, and one other on the same lines, Carmen Basilio.

The judges voting for Kendall were Mick Andrews and Bob Burns, while Jack DeFranco scored it even. Your RING correspondent had Andy ahead in this knife-edger by virtue of his splendid rally in the ninth and tenth rounds. The great physical condition of both men was a big contributor to this excellent fight.

Each came in at 173. Refereeing chores were handled by Dave O'Hanlon. Jim Hays, general manager of the Orlando Sports Stadium, sang our National Anthem.

On the Kendall-Quarry undercard. . .Lorenzo "Boom-Boom" Trujillo won an eight round decision over Al "Scooter" Meza in an actioneer that almost rivalled the main event but the fans objected to the verdict and booed it unmercifully.

Trujillo, a cool cucumber, was guiltier of the two in the illegal punches department and Referee Dave O'Hanlon had to warn them both several times, mainly "Boom-Boom."

The judges, Jack DeFranco, Mick Andrews and Bob Burns, figured on Trujillo. His continuous fouling should have evened the points and a draw wouldn't have hurt. We had Meza ahead by a point at the end. Despite it all, Matchmaker Malcolm Tait wants them back in a main event. Each fighter tipped 136.

Main concentration of Trujillo was body punching, and Meza was best with shots to the head. The winner is from Houston, and Fresno, while the loser hails from Portland, Oregon.

In another eight rounder, Victor Perez, of Sanford, rallied in the last three rounds to decision Al Cook, of Miami. This here was the third straight win for Perez in Orlando. He came in at 151, and Cook at 157. Cyril Clark, 180, of Melbourne, stopped Irish Mike McKinney, of Tampa, in the opening round.

This was a shocker. McKinney played right into Clark's hands by walking in to him and as a result was hit with solid straight shots, both hands to the head. The game McKinney, his second pro fight under Viscusi and trainer Bill Gore, couldn't get out of harm's way and was dropped for a count. On arising his head was still the target but the youngster tried hard to fight back to no avail. Referee Dave O'Hanlon wisely stepped in as did Mike's corner order a halt. Clark showed up well, cool under fire and a good head to instruct him. His punches were all beauties. In amateur bouts, Jeff Muth, Orlando Boxing Club, weighing 75 pounds, split decisioned 69 pounder Jimmy Robinson, of Miami Boxing Club. Stewart Beetlestone, 108, Fern Park, TKO'ed Teddy DAvis, 108, Plant City, in 50 seconds of the 1st round. Robert Allen, 158, Altamonte Springs, TKO'ed Danny Ashby, 156, Orlando, in the first round.

▲**TAMPA**—Santos Solis arrived here from Puerto Rico a substitute in the main event against Tampa's welterweight walloper, J. T. Dowe. Solis left the ring a new-born hero after a few minutes of fighting in which he dropped Dowe several times before winning by a TKO in the sixth round.

Then came the fuss. Dowe's manager, Eddie Pulido, blamed the Tampa Boxing Commission, headed by Major George Porter, for not advising him that Solis was a southpaw.

Promoter Keith Lancaster, who with Pulido went to Puerto Rico, claimed Pulido should have known how Solis fights since he saw him training at the gym. Pulido contended he accepted Solis as a sub for Gino Febo because he thought Solis was a right-hander.

The press and fight-goers knew nothing of the subbing until near fight date.

Now Lancaster was on the spot. Hector Medina, a Santo Domingo lightweight, earned a TKO in six over Angel Rosa, 134, of San Juan. They were to have gone eight.

Larry Reneaud, 193, Montreal, won a sixer over John L. Carter, a splitter. Carter, of Tampa, tipped 200 pounds. "Sweet" Marlin Lewis, local light heavyweight lulu, halted Jerome Williams, 168, St. Petersburg, in the second.

When Lewis turns pro, he's going to be a big card here. His fight with Williams was an amateur bout.

▲**JACKSONVILLE**—Keeping "The Bold New City of The South" on boxing's front line, Dennis Riggs, Jacksonville's boxer-puncher middleweight, made good the invasion of Atlanta, winning both appearances on Don Denton's cards. . .Henry "Slick" Mitchell, a hard hitting middleweight, still can go places. . .Larry Peterson is a colorful 17-year-old lightweight but inactivity in Jacksonville forces him to seek action elsewhere. . .Charley "Baby" Fullard, classy welterweight from Jacksonville and Fernandina Beach is well regarded in Orlando.

▲**TAMPA**—The middleweight champion of Venezuela wants a crack at Tony Licata, the South's top middleweight. Felix Zabala (or Sabala) believes Octavio Romero is entitled to the match. Some of the 500 fans who saw the South American in action against Tony Santiago are inclined to agree.

Romero, displaying good punching power, stopped Santiago in the second round at Fort Hesterly Armory. First, he dropped Tony with a right to the jaw and that was good for an eight count. At near closing of that round Romero bounced off a beautiful left hook to send Tony towards the press table. That did it. When Santiago couldn't come for round two, the Venezuelan champ got the TKO win. It was his 23rd victory, 18 by kayoes, and shows only two losses. Felix will leave Romero with local manager Eddie Pulido. The winner at 167, and the loser, with an 18-12-7 record, weighed 163.

A punchfest between Frank Aponte, 122¾, New York, and Jose Pena, 124½, of Dominican Republic, was the show-stealer and in this six rounder a draw verdict was reached. The fans rewarded them with an ovation.

Hector Medina, 135, Tampa and Dominican Republic, showed successfully a second time here in winning by a TKO over Angel Rivera, 134½, New York, in the eighth and final round.

Kid Cocoa, 131¾, Dominican Republic, scored a knockout in the second round over Luis Rivera, 127, New York.

"Peaches Hurricane" Roberts, 145½, Tampa, won a four rounder by a split decision over Ervin Gifford, 150½, Orlando. Robbie Barfield, 147, Orlando, won the amateur fight by stopping Bill Coles, 154, Tampa, in the second round.

▲**ATLANTA, GA.**—Dennis Riggs made a big hit with Atlantans the way he dusted off Gene Wells by a TKO in the ninth for his first appearance here but he strengthened that hold with a second win, unfortunately at the same time another Riggs, Bobby, was holding court with Billie Jean King. This was the cause of the small attendance, about 900 fans showing up to see Dennis beat Jimmy Williams in a good ten rounder.

Off to a good start, Williams, of Jacksonville and Miami, seemed heading for the win until Dennis planted his well known right hand smack-dab on Jimmy's head in the fifth round. The tide turned here and Riggs began his upward climb towards his second victory over Williams, whom Dennis had previously beaten in Jacksonville.

Both had eye cuts at the finish but the one on .Williams was worst, pestering him particularly in the latter rounds. The two waged a slam-banger in the ninth and tenth rounds, Riggs showing up the better. He had winner tabs from Sonny Marshall, Bob Cooley and Norman Paschal. Riggs is from Jacksonville. Both are middleweights.

Heavyweights Joe Gholston, of Atlanta, and George Holden, of Melbourne, tangled in a good bout and Gholston won it, his third consecutive locally. In a light heavyweight bout, Vernon Beale whipped Joe Hooks, of Philadelphia.

In a four rounder Larry Peterson, of Jacksonville, added another win to his record. Larry defeated veteran Jerry Powers, of Miami in a four rounder but he had to work hard to earn a split nod.

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fans appreciated.

Sollas brought all his skills to bear against an opponent who wasn't prepared to concede an inch. Vernon jabbed accurately and his footwork was a joy to behold. But Sibaco stayed with him.

In the third the South African was down for eight, but got up to take the fight to his opponent. Unwisely Sollas joined issue, whereas he would have done better to have kept it at long range.

Sollas was cut and bruised under the right eye in the final session, and the spectators cheered as they fought it out toe-to-toe.

Sollas still looks the best young prospect in the featherweight division.

Peter Cain, Notting Hill, 158½, outpointed Augustus Sims, Herne Hill, 155, over six by 59½-58. Cain kept busier and put his punches together better.

Jeff Gale, Leeds, 144¾, beat substitute Barton McAllister, Balham, 142, who was retired by his corner at the end of the third, when he got a cut and bruise under the right eye. Gale looked to be ahead at the time.

Johnny Claydon, West Ham, 135, beat Kenny Singlewood, Alfreton, 139, who was also retired by his corner at the end of the second. Singlewood was a late substitute and it was Claydon's first bout.

Debutant John L. Gardener, Hackney, 203¾, beat Brian Hall, Bexleyheath, 183½, and again it was a retirement by his corner at the end of the second. Hall was down three times.

▲**Hemel Hempstead**—Southern Area lightweight champion Noel McIvor, Luton, 135, had a comparatively easy points victory over Danny Fearon, Liverpool, referee Mike Jacobs scoring it 79½-77½ over eight.

Both men were marked, McIvor on the left eyebrow and Fearon had a cut over the left eye that afterwards required three stitches.

Southpaw Fearon opened strongly, but McIvor soon took over and in spite of plucky opposition by Danny, Noel jabbed and hooked his way to victory.

In the final stages right uppercuts from McIvor slowed his opponent down, and Fearon looked a weary man.

Steve Angell, Hemel Hempstead, 146, also had it easy, outpointing George Salmon, Halifax, 149, over eight "twos" by 80-76½.

It was Angell's second win as a pro. A southpaw, he showed aggression, perhaps a little too enthusiastic at times, for he was twice warned for following through when his man was down.

Also over eight "twos" Mick Hinton, Norwood, 146, outscored Keith Nugent, Stoke, 149, by 79-78½, but it wasn't a popular verdict.

Nugent was floored in the second, but rallied well, and a draw would have satisfied many of the fans.

Gary Dunks, Boreham Wood, 136, made it two out of two by outpointing Dave Coombs, Northwich, 141, over six "twos" by 59-58½.

This was another close one, with Dunks cut over the left eye and bleeding from the nose, but battling it out against an accurate right hand in an all-southpaw tussle.

A verdict with which everyone agreed was the draw between Peter Cain, Notting Hill, 158½, and Mike Manley, Pontypool, 160, over six.

An all-action contest with both men showing aggression and a willingness to fight back when under pressure.

Debutant Oscar Angus, Aylesbury, 161, stopped Mick Lock, Croydon, 161, in the second, referee Jacobs intervening after Lock had been down three times.

▲**Bedford**—In his first fight in nine months, former British featherweight champion Jimmy Revie, Stockwell, 132, had a clear points win over George McGurk, Jarrow, 136½. Score 80-77½ after eight rounds.

Southpaw Revie took a few hard rights from the aggressive McGurk, but was able to score frequently with his own southpaw right lead, and was always the cleaner puncher.

The contest was marred by clinching and laying on, both men being responsible.

Mario Stango, Bedford, 128, made it six in a row by again outpointing Billy Belnavis, Wolverhampton, 129½, over eight "twos" by 79½-77.

There was plenty of action, with Stango being floored in the second, and Belnavis being down in the first and second. Southpaw Stango counterpunched to good effect and deserved his victory, albeit the margin seemed smaller.

Former Scottish amateur champion Henry Cooper (no relation), Larkhall, 160, won his third successive pro bout by outpointing Dave Nelson, Wolverhampton, 162, by 59½-58½ over six.

Apart from one hard right in the fifth, Nelson never bothered the classy Cooper.

In a fight arranged at the very last moment, Steve Foley, Bedford, 181, outscored Dave Parris, Tottenham, 182, thus gaining revenge for a previous defeat. Score 60-57½ over six. Foley's forcing tactics paid off.

▲**Executive Sportsman's Club, Aberavon**—Tony Davies, Caerphilly, 114, became the Welsh bantam champion by stopping Joey Deriu, Cardiff, 116½, who rose only to slump to the canvas when the bell rang for the start of the tenth and final round.

The count was taken up by referee Adrian Morgan, but realizing this was no ordinary fall he immediately stopped the fight in order that Deriu could have medical treatment.

He was taken to a hospital in serious condition, and detained, indefinitely.

It had been a pleasing contest which Deriu looked fully capable of winning. Fortunes fluctuated, with Davies in trouble in the sixth, only to fight back and get on top in the eighth and ninth.

Davies overcame the handicap of a cut eye in the opening round, and it had been a rousing battle.

Des Rea, Belfast, 149, now living in Cardiff, again beat Mick Laud, St. Ives, 149, the bout being stopped in the third round after Laud sustained a cut over the left eye. Laud has won three, the other being drawn. This one was even between these two experienced southpaws.

Brian Jones, Croeserw, 142, kept his unbeaten record by stopping Alan Jones, Merthyr, 139, in three. Jones, who had been inactive for four months because of a hand injury, was on top throughout.

▲**World Sporting Club, London**—Those two all-time "greats" Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier, were guests of the Club, where the bill should have been headed by Danny McAlinden, British and Commonwealth heavyweight champion, against American Pete "Moleman" Williams, who did not appear.

McAlinden refused to meet Tim Wood, the suggested substitute, when he was told there was no guarantee that his title would be protected if Wood stopped him.

The rule states that if a champion is defeated in a non-title contest the Board MAY declare the title vacant, but if McAlinden had been stopped on injury it is unlikely that the Board would have taken his crown away.

Mac wasn't prepared to take the risk.

(The champion's manager at that time was Jack Solomons, the matchmaker of the WSC, and a few weeks later Solomons sold Danny his contract for £10,000, which means the latter is now self-managed.)

So the top-liner then became the clash between Phil Matthews, Rossendale, 176½, who stopped American Billy Freeman, 176½, in two.

Freeman was down from a right to the jaw in the opening session, and Matthews was severely censured for catching his man with a glancing blow while he was down.

Freeman was dropped again in the second, and was not able to protect himself when it was stopped.

Matthews is a devastating puncher, and Freeman provided no opposition on this occasion.

Kenny Webber, Manchester, 148, knocked out Tommy Joyce, Doncaster, 148, in the opening round after flooring him for "five." An impressive display by Webber against an experienced southpaw.

Colin Davies, Aberfan, 159, another southpaw, outscored Pat Brogan, Crewe, 163½, by 79-78½ over eight. Brogan was down in the sixth, but it was a good bout to watch.

▲**Premier Ring Sporting Club, London**—Alan Hardiman, Hemel Hempstead, 146½, made it seven out of seven by stopping Jack Hinton, Penge, 150, in the sixth round, after the latter had been down for eight.

Hinton had proved stern opposition for the unbeaten Hardiman, in spite of having two teeth knocked out of his mouth in the third round.

Both had their injuries, Hardiman a swelling around the left eye, and Hinton around both eyes. Both bled from the nose.

Hardiman's left to the face and head got through often in the later stages, but it was a right that put Hinton down, and was obviously too weary to continue.

No trouble for Ray Jenkins, Hendon, 117, who used his five pounds weight advantage over Peter Huitt, Alfreton, 112, to good effect, stopping his man in the third.

Pat Thompson, Islington, 176½, outpointed Bernard Tingley, Gosport, 176, over six "twos" by 60-57. Thompson's left hand kept aggressive Tingley at bay.

▲**Haverfordwest Market Hall**—Billy Hardacre, Liverpool, 128, former Central Area featherweight champion, outpointed Colin Miles, Tonyrefail, former Welsh bantamweight champion, over eight by 79½-78.

It was Miles' debut as a nine-stoner. He had to give up his bantam title because of weight difficulties, and he was made to realize that it's tougher in the heavier division.

Hardacre is a good, experienced fighter, and he had a little too much accuracy and power for Miles, who nevertheless made a fine start in his new class.

Mike Manley, Pontypool, 163, outscored Clive Collins, Llantwit Major, 161½, by 79½-78 over eight. A fine performance for substitute Manley, who decked his man for nine in the third.

Former Welsh amateur international Glyn Watts, Llanelli, 140, made a fine start in the paid ranks by outpointing another newcomer, Tommy Naylor, Liverpool, 140, by 60-56½ over six.

Eric Williams, Llandielo, 141, got up from a fourth-round knockdown to outpoint debutant Rex Woodruff, Cambran, 147, over six by 58½-57½.

▲**St. Andrews Sporting Club, Glasgow**—What better setting for two Scots contesting the British featherweight title. But unfortunately the bout lasted only three rounds because of an eye injury. Maybe one day someone will come up with an idea for preventing such injuries, and make himself a fortune.

Champion Tommy Glencross, Glasgow, 125, was the unlucky one. His cut over the left eye was ruled by referee James Brimmell to be too serious for him to continue, leaving Evan Armstrong, Ayr, 123½, the winner.

Hard luck on Glencross, but there's a lot of sentiment in boxing, contrary to what is thought, and many were pleased that the 30-year-old Armstrong had got his old title back, especially because by winning three featherweight title fights, he thus makes the Lonsdale Belt his own property.

Three rounds is not long enough to assess what might have happened. Up to then Glencross had concentrated on jabbing and moving, with Armstrong forcing the pace, especially in the third, when he chased his man throughout, and landed that right-hander which opened a cut over Tommy's eye.

Southpaw Glencross did come forward more than usual, and although he landed neat jabs, this suited Armstrong, who could thus conserve more energy.

So an inconclusive ending, but Glencross will now have to take his place in the queue, especially as he has now lost his last four fights. However, he's young enough at 26 to challenge again.

Jim Melrose, Glasgow, 139½, kept his unbeaten record in fine style by outpointing former British Junior welterweight champion Des Rea, Belfast, 144, over eight by 79-77½.

Considering that Melrose was taking part in only his seventh bout, and Rea has had over 60, Jim deserves a lot of credit for his victory in this all-southpaw tussle.

Melrose jabbed with his right, and didn't wait around for Rea to counter. When Des got close he used his greater experience to good effect, but was caught with one left to the jaw that had him wobbling momentarily.

The Irishman had a good fifth round, but Melrose kept cool under pressure and was a worthy winner.

Alan (brother of Ken) Buchana, Edinburgh, 132, stopped John O'Rawe, Belfast, 133¼, in the second, O'Rawe turning his back on his opponent and going down on his knees in submission.

Buchanan just punched too hard for the Irishman and kept up the pressure.

Derek Simpson, Glasgow, 145, outscored Barton McAllister, Balham, 146, by 79-77½ over eight "twos," but there were many who disagreed with the verdict.

Both had their moments. Simpson did well at the start, but was himself floored in the third and his left eye cut in the following session.

It was punch for punch with McAllister shaping up well in the sixth, and Simpson finishing strongly.

▲**Wolverhampton Civic Hall**—In just eight months and eight fights Larry Paul, Wolverhampton, 150½, has won a British title. He did so by sensationally knocking out Bobby Arthur, Coventry, 148, in the tenth round, and it was the vacant newly-instituted British light-middleweight championships that he won.

Arthur's two previous fights had been for the British welter crown, winning the first and losing the return, both to John H. Stracey. With his vast experience and skill, many thought he would prove too clever for his younger opponent, but it didn't work out that way.

Paul is a puncher, and he started at a terrific pace. For four rounds Arthur was on the receiving end, yet never really in trouble. Then, as Larry took a breather, Arthur came back to outbox his man and get back on terms at the half-way stage of this scheduled 15-rounder.

Arthur was cut on the left eyebrow in the fifth, but made light of the injury, only to be caught by a flurry of punches in the eighth which floored him for nine.

The bell probably saved Arthur from defeat, but he took a lot of punishment in the ninth, and survived until the bell ended that session.

The tenth was the last. Paul could sense victory within his grasp, and a right to the chin put Arthur down—and out—after 1 min. 25 sec. of the round.

An impressive performance from a man who just twelve months earlier had felt like packing it in after being omitted from the Olympic team.

Former Irish Olympic representative Jim Montague, Coventry, 142, made a successful debut by outscoring Bob Langley, Aldershot, 143, over eight "twos" by 79-77½.

However, he did not win without being fully extended, and without being cut by both eyes and floored in the second.

Langley too was down in that round, and Montague gradually forged ahead with southpaw right jabs and punched harder to earn his victory.

Debutant Bob Gregory, Doncaster, 149, also won, forcing Dennis Brannigan, Middlesbrough, 150½, to retire at the end of the sixth with an injured left arm. Brannigan was decked in the fifth.

Dave Parris, Tottenham, 180, narrowly outpointed Billy Baggott, Birmingham, 177, by 59-58½ over six "twos," in an uninspiring bout. Parris had a swelling by the left eye, and Parris punched more cleanly.

▲**Shoredicth Town Hall**—In only his second pro bout, Maurice Hope, Bethnal Green, 158, stopped experienced Len Gibbs, St. Pancras, 157½, who decided to retire at the end of the third round after being floored four times.

Southpaw Hope used his left hook to good effect throughout.

Pat Thompson, Islington, 176½, beat Mick O'Neill, Colliers Wood, 170, who retired at the end of the seventh. Thompson wore his man down after an even start, and a couple of hard rights to the jaw in that final round persuaded O'Neill to concede defeat.

Tony Poole, Kettering, 149, stopped Hugh Clark, Battersea, 150, in the fourth after the latter had been down for eight.

Southpaw Gary Dunks, Stepney, 137, outpointed Eric Williams, Llandielo, 139½, over six by 60-59 in a tough fight.

Ralph Green, Durham, 182, stopped Nigel Williams, Liverpool, 181, in the fourth. Right hands shook Williams, and although he didn't go down he was in no position to defend himself.

▲**Reading Town Hall**—Gypsy Johnny Frankham, Reading, 176½, shone before his own supporters by outpointing West Indian Bob Tuckett, Leeds, 172. A fair verdict, but referee Benny Caplan's scorecard of 79½-75½ seemed to flatter the winner.

Frankham had been inactive for four months, and this showed in the early rounds, when Tuckett revealed plenty of aggression and it was only in the later stages that Johnny was able to dictate matters.

Frankham thus confirmed a previous victory over Tuckett in 1971.

Batman Austin, Tottenham, 160, outpointed Mike Manley, 157, Pontypool, also over eight "twos" by 79½-78. Manley fought back well after being floored but Austin was the stronger throughout.

Paddy McAleese, Bedford, 143, clearly outpointed Mick Warner, Farnham, 140, by 60-56½ over six "twos." Warner was down for seven in the sixth, and was never in the fight after that.

Billy Brooks, Kilburn, 168, stopped Bernard Tingley, Gosport, 169, in the second. Referee Mike Jacobs intervened with Tingley draped over the ropes.

▲**Liverpool Stadium**—Professional boxing returned to this traditional venue after a lapse of over four years, and a fine crowd turned up, a just reward for the efforts of promoter Mike Atkinson and matchmaker Tommy Miller.

Joey Singleton, Kirkby, 136, won the vacant Central Area light-welterweight title by convincingly outpointing Jess Harper, Manchester, 137½, by 99½-96½ over ten.

It was Harper's tenth contest, and only Singleton's third. But both boxers showed a lot of maturity.

Singleton boxed superbly. He jabbed accurately and often with his left, and never wasted an opportunity to follow with right crosses. Harper was always willing to make a fight of it, but only in the middle rounds did he make any kind of an impression.

The last round especially was a real cracker, and the fans rose to these two.

Olympic Bronze Medallist George Turpin, Liverpool, 122, gained his second straight quick win by stopping experienced Karim Young, Nigeria, 121, referee Ken Maynard intervening in the eighth and final round.

Young protested that he was quite fit to continue, and it is possible that he could have lasted until the final bell. But the referee is the man nearest the action, much nearer than anyone outside the ring.

Turpin looked comfortably ahead at the time. His jabs were crisp, and in spite of his lack of professional experience he kept his head and picked his punches, in spite of Young's bobbing and weaving tactics.

Young was down in the eighth, but up before a count could be started, and it was then that the bout was stopped. A good victory for Turpin, who overcame an injury to his left eye.

Billy Hall, Sheffield, 137, was adjudged to have outpointed Tony Cunningham, Bootle, 134½, by 79½-79, but the verdict of referee Maynard didn't go down too well with the fans, and there was an outburst of booing.

Hall showed up well at long range, but had to concede the inside work to Cunningham, who forced it throughout.

A quick return would seem to be the obvious solution.

Tony Byrne, Kirkby, 162, former ABA finalist, knocked out Peter Mullins, Wolverhampton, 161¾, in three. Mullins was down twice.

Kenny Singleton, Alfreton, 137, stopped debutant Dave Wraxhall, Manchester, 135, in the fifth. Wraxhall was cut around the left eye, but Singleton had a large winning margin.

A good debut by Les McGowan, Liverpool, 188½, who outscored Lloyd Stewart, Chesterfield, 181, over six "twos" by 60-57½.

Stewart deserves credit for taking the fight at only a few hours' notice when George Davies had to withdraw, and he did well to keep on his feet. But McGowan punched too hard and too often.

▲**Anglo-American Sporting Club, Manchester**—Maxie Smith, 175, stopped Sid Falconer, Bournemouth, 176, in four, being on top from the first bell. In spite of a plucky performance Falconer was no match for Smith, who sustained a cut above the right eye, causing referee Ron Hackett to stop it, a merciful decision.

Mike Cottingham, Lymington, outpointed Barry Clough, Stoke, by 79-78 over eight "twos." Clough did little but try and hold on, with Cottingham doing his best to land a decisive punch.

George Salmon, Halifax, 150, outpointed Mick Evans, Bournemouth, 149½, by 58-56 over six "twos."

Dennis Brannigan, Newcastle, 150, knocked out Bob Brown, Stoke, 149, in the opening round after flooring him for seven.

▲**Anglo-American Sporting Club, London**—Les Stevens, Reading, 192, outpointed Dave Roden, Birmingham, 188½, over eight by 79½-78½.

No doubt about the verdict, but after obtaining a clear lead Stevens appeared to tire in the last two sessions, when Roden threw everything into the attack.

Stevens' main superiority was at long range, but Roden never stopped trying.

Alan Buchanan, Edinburgh, 136, outpointed George McKay, Edinburgh, 135½, over eight hectic rounds by 79½-78½.

Here again it was a case of the man in the lead tiring in the later stages, after Alan had floored McKay in the fifth, but the latter's rally came too late.

Ray Jenkins, Hendon, 119, stopped Laurie Redfern, Liverpool, 122½, in the second round, after flooring him for eight.

▲**National Sporting Club, London**—Welsh middleweight champion Mike McCluskie, Cardiff, 164, stopped substitute Jeff Burns, Swansea, 162¼, in four, referee Benny Caplan intervening after Burns had been decked for seven.

Brian Jones, Swansea, 142, outscored Barton McAllister, Balham, over eight "twos" by 79½-75. It was the unbeaten Jones' sixth straight win, and he worked hard, whereas McAllister moved around without doing much.

Mike Cottingham, Lymington, 177, outscored Alan Butters, Southampton, 180, over eight "twos" by 79½-78. Cottingham's left hand scored enough points for victory.

Glyn Watts, Llanelli, 140, outpointed Dave Coombs, Northwich, 142, over six "twos" by 60-58. Southpaw Coombs threw plenty of leather, but Watts was the better boxer.

▲**Midlands Sporting Club, Solihull**—Pat Thomas, Cardiff, 147¾, boxed well to outpoint Les Pearson, Pontefract, 148½, over eight by 79½-77.

The 22-year-old Thomas, born in St. Kitts, left-jabbed his way to a comfortable victory, and a rather surprising one over a man who has been in the forefront of British welterweights for some time.

Thomas has lived in Britain since a youngster, so there are no qualification problems if he proves himself good enough to fight for the national title.

South African Bashew Sibaca, 122, kept busy to outscore Mario Stango, Bedford, 122½, over eight by 79-77. It was Stango's first pro defeat after six victories.

Southpaw Stango was willing enough, but Sibaca has boxed for the South African non-white featherweight title, and was too experienced.

Steve Angell, Hemel Hempstead, 146, remained unbeaten by outpointing Jim Corrigan, Doncaster, 148, by 60-57½. Angell started slowly but stepped up the pace for a deserved win.

Derek Simpson, Kilmarnock, 148, showed good form in outscoring Liam White, Bristol, 149, by 79-78.

Oscar Angus, Aylesbury, 160, outpointed Dave Nelson, Wolverhampton, 162, by 59-58½ over six.

▲**Bull Ring Sporting Club, Birmingham**—Johnny Jennings, Birmingham, 145, confirmed a previous victory by outpointing Bob Langley, Aldershot, 148, over eight "twos" by 79½-77.

Langley put up his usual busy display, but Jennings kept him on the end of an accurate left jab, and increased the pressure in the closing rounds.

For a newcomer Birmingham meat market worker Billy Baggott, 176, has had a terrific following, which lessened somewhat when he didn't do quite as well as expected. But he gave his fans plenty to shout about in drawing with Steve Foley, Bedford, 178, over six "twos."

Baggott was on the receiving end for a couple of rounds, and still struggling at the half-way stage. But Billy proved he has courage and determination in coming back with a fine rally, and it was Foley who was seeking to evade Billy's hard rights at the end.

Dave Parris, Tottenham, 189, gained a six-rounds points verdict over Kenny Burrell, Worksop, 212, by 60-57½.

Burrell had a tremendous weight advantage, but didn't make the most of it, and Parris had little difficulty in left-jabbing his way to victory.

Don Burgin, Durham, 139, used his right hand to good effect in outpointing Paddy McAleese, Bedford, 141, over six by 59-58. McAleese counters well at times, but Burgin kept busier.

▲**Great International Sporting Club, Nottingham**—Maurice Hope, Hackney, 157¾, made it three out of three by outpointing Pat Brogan, Crewe, 161, by 80-75½ over eight.

Brogan had advantages in height, reach and weight, but southpaw Hope dominated throughout, using his superior skill and speed to pick his punches, and floor his man in the fourth.

Although shaken, Brogan got up to survive, but the result was a formality.

Tony Poole, Kettering, 149, started slowly, but increaed his tempo to outpoint George Salmon, Halifax, 148, over eight by 79-77½.

Salmon bustled his man in the first couple of rounds, but as soon as Poole had got his left hand working the writing was on the wall.

Dave Loveland, Kettering, 149, outpointed Dennis Harbon, Bradford, 147, over six by 59½-58½. A good scrap between two debutants.

Jim Corrigan, Doncaster, 153¾, outscored Jimmy Devanney, Halifax, 154, over six by 59-58½, but the fight was marred by too much holding, for which two cautions were issued.

▲**Govan Town Hall, Glasgow**—Decked in the first round, former British lightweight champion Jim Watt, Glasgow, 136½, got up to outpoint Angus McMillan, Glasgow, 134½, by 79½-78½.

Southpaw Watt took a right hand to the face which deposited him for a count of three. McMillan followed up, but the bell ended the round and there was no further opportunity for him to cash in.

Mac did his best to repeat the punch, but was too eager to do so, and Watt was able to keep cool and jab with his right to head and body.

These jabs produced cuts above McMillan's left eye and his nose bled. Watt had a swelling under the left eye, but was getting on top by the middle rounds, and McMillan was shaken on one or two occasions.

McMillan wasn't finished yet, however, and did well in the seventh, only for Watt to take the final session.

An excellent contest, which underlined Watt's claim to a shot at regaining his old crown.

Danny McCafferty, Glasgow, 164, knocked out experienced Nojeen Adigun, Nigeria, 159, in the first round after flooring him twice previously.

Ray Scott, Liverpool, 122, outpointed Al Hutcheon, Glasgow, 126½, by 79½-77 over eight "twos." Scott's upright style was in direct contrast to the crouch of his opponent, and the former's left jab was the dominating factor.

Freddie McMillan, Glasgow, 140½, outscored Bob Martin, Durham, 142, over eight "twos" by 79-78½. McMillan controlled this fight from first bell to last by his aggression and skill.

Good debut for John Feeley, Glasgow, 163,

who outpointed Charlie Richardson, Liverpool, 162, over eight "twos" by 80-77. Richardson was down in the fifth.

▲**National Sporting Club, London**—Conceding ten pounds, Trevor Francis, Basingstoke, 155, looked good in stopping Welsh middleweight champion Mike McCluskie, Cardiff, 165, in six.

Francis was also a late substitute, so his performance was all the more meritorious. He showed enterprise, speed, skill and power of punch, flooring McCluskie in the fourth and again in the sixth, whereupon referee Harry Hymphreys stopped it because the Welshman was not able to protect himself.

Aggressive Jimmy Fairweather, Battersea, 139, beat Danny Fearon, Liverpool, 137, referee Humphreys intervening in the eighth and final round.

Fearon looked eager enough as he came forward, but he didn't throw enough punches, and this suited Fairweather admirably, as the latter found plenty of room for his hooking, swinging attack.

Occasionally when Fearon did decide to do some work he was effective, but Fairweather never let up and got home often to his opponent's body, until Danny was forced to concentrate on defense, and he was throwing no punches as the stoppage came.

Busy Peter Brisland, Southampton, 174½, easily outpointed Mike Cottingham, Lymington, 176, over eight "twos" by 79½-76½.

The pace was a fast one, and Cottingham was floored in the third just before the bell gave him a welcome minute's respite.

Brisland continued to jab well with his left, and was well worth the margin of his victory.

Glyn Watts, Llanelli, 139¼, having his third bout, outscored debutant Mick Hampston, Lewisham, 136, over six "twos" by 59-57½. Both men were on the canvas, but Watts was the busier.

▲**Sophia Gardens, Cardiff**—After being outpunched in the first round, Eddie Neilson, Swindon, 198½, stopped Roger Barlow, Coventry, 194½, in the second.

Barlow started off with a bang, throwing punches from both hands to which Neilson seemingly had no reply. But having survived this initial onslaught, Neilson came right back in the next session, and a left to the chin staggered Barlow.

Neilson then put on the pressure, and with Roger very much on the receiving end when referee James Brimmell intervened.

Billy Waith, Cardiff, 135½, gained an eight-rounds points win over Tony Cunningham, Liverpool, 135, by 79½-77½, which didn't do justice to the latter's efforts, and which was booed by the spectators.

It was Waith's first bout in the lightweight class, and he found that the opposition is going to be tough. But he showed skill to match the experience and endeavor of Cunningham.

Pat Thomas, Cardiff, 148, stopped former British junior welterweight champion Des Rea, Belfast, 149½, in four. Rea had an eye injury, but Thomas looked to be on top, and thus confirmed a previous victory.

Brian Jones, Swansea, 143, knocked out Liam White, Wells, 150, in three with a right to the chin.

Debutant Tony Blackburn, Tonyrefail, 179½, outscored Bruce Woodward, Merthyr, 194, over six.

▲**Anglo-American Sporting Club, Southend**—Pat McCann, Harrow, 194, the Southern Area light-heavyweight champion, confirmed a previous win by beating Graham Sines, Wandsworth, 182, who retired at the end of the first round with an eye injury. A disappointing ending, but southpaw McCann was punching hard and often, and forcing his man to cover up.

Billy Williams, West Ham, 178¾, who started his pro career in America, made his first British appearance in the paid ranks when he stopped Ralph Green, Durham, 180, in two. A left hook did the trick.

Dave Coombs, Northwich, 142, stopped Mike Warner, Farnham, 142, in two after flooring him twice.

Brian Gregory, Doncaster, 151, outpointed Keith Nugent, Stoke, 152, over eight "twos" by 79½-77½. A crowd-pleasing bout.

▲**Anglo-American Sporting Club, London**—Southern Area lightweight champion Noel McIvor, Luton, 137¾, drew with George McGurk, Jarrow, 137¼, over eight in a bout that never reached the heights.

There was too much mauling, and most of the work was at close-quarters. McGurk was injured over the right eye in the seventh, and McIvor paid a couple of brief visits to the canvas in this round, but seemingly off-balance.

However, a right to the body did put McIvor down in the final session briefly, but he got up to continue the fray.

Steve Angell, Hemel Hempstead, 146, outpointed Mick Evans, Bournemouth, 150, over six "twos" by 60-57½. Angell was down in the fifth, but his southpaw jabs were too much for Evans.

Bob Murphy, Manchester, 161, outpointed Batman Austin, Tottenham, 160, over eight "twos," by 79½-78. The crowd loved the fight, but they didn't all appreciate the result, which was booed.

Southpaw Murphy sustained a cut by the left eye in the opening session, and it didn't respond to treatment, causing referee Bill White to examine the injury at frequent intervals.

Murphy showed the aggression and Austin the countering, and the margin didn't seem to do the latter justice.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

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Mike Weaver, 195, Pomona, KO over Tony Pulu, 223, Honolulu, (2); Manny Gonzalez, 112½, East Los Angeles, KO over Arturo Ulloa, 113¾, Mexico, (2).

▲**SAN DIEGO**—Fifth ranked featherweight Irish Art Hafey, 125½, Loudres, Nova Scotia, used vicious body punches to stop Ad Zapanta, 125, Manila, P.I., in the second round of the scheduled 10-rounder at the Coliseum.

This was Hafey's 21st knockout and boosted his record to 31-5-4. In his last previous start, the little Canadian scored a surprised knockout over former bantamweight champion Ruben Olivares, in Monterrey, Mexico.

The crowd numbered 2,100, and the gate $5,430.

▲**LOS ANGELES**—Cosencio Rodriguez, of Mexico, was a sub for a sub who had replaced Tury Pineda in the main event at the Olympic Auditorium.

Rodriguez, 136½, was filling in for Macho Castenda against top ranking Jimmy Heair, 136, Los Angeles.

Jimmy registered his 14th knockout in 30 starts, halting Rodriguez in the fifth round. The Mexican could offer only a token defense against the 21-year-old Irishman.

Referee John Thomas raised Heair's hand after 2:23 of the fifth with Rodriguez taking too many punches.

Alberto Davila, 117½, East Los Angeles, decision over Juan Lopez, 119, San Diego, (6); Javier Muniz, 136, East Los Angeles, decision over Tommy Howard, 139, Los Angeles, (5).

▲**ROHNERT PARK**—George Cooper, of Oakland, retained his California middleweight championship by virtue of a seventh round knockout over San Diego's Davey Love.

Cooper weighed 158, Love, 157½.

▲**SANTA ROSA**—David Love, 157, San Diego, handed local favorite, Vicente Medina, 154½, a setback by taking a close 10 round decision.

Love's superior boxing tactics were too much for Medina's aggressive style of attack.

Joe Gonsalves, 152, Oakland, KO over Johnny Pinedo, 148, Modesto, (1); Jimmy Jackson, 291, Oakland, decision over Ron Ligon, 230, San Francisco, (6); Fidel Fraijo, 123, Santa Rosa, decision over Celso Tupas, 122½, San Jose, (6).

The gate was $4,593.00.

BOLDS STANDS OUT AS PITTSBURGH SEEKS REVIVAL

By JOHN F. MEHNO

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Another attempt here to revive boxing on a major scale met with limited success. Matchmaker Dave Kadair, with financial backing from local auto dealer Bill McCracken, presented cards of live bouts prior to the closed circuit showing of a major fight.

The first show, staged as a preliminary to the Foreman-Roman debacle, featured three amateur bouts along with one pro ten-rounder. Ed (Cutie Pie) Chambers, local Diamond Belt Champion, 135, scored a three-round unanimous decision over Dennis King. Tom Hollis took a unanimous decision over Mike McKee and Randy Graves stopped Al Amelio with a second round TKO.

In the main pro bout, Rudy (Smiley) Bolds, 139, of Braddock, Pa. took a 22-1 record into the ring against a more experienced Benny Huertas, 139, of Puerto Rico. Bolds controlled the fight from the opening gong and was awarded a unanimous decision over Huertas in the ten round scrap.

▲The next presentation, a prelude to the TV showing of the Ali-Norton rematch, featured Bolds against another Puerto Rican, Geno Febus, 138½. Bolds racked his fourteenth consecutive victory, raising his pro record to 23-1, but ran into trouble in the fourth.

Bolds again controlled the fight at the opening and was battering Febus as round one ended. Rudy continued his assault in rounds two and three but was floored by a left-right combination from Febus in the fourth. Bolds was up at the count of four but was forced to take a mandatory eight count. Bolds played it cautiously for the rest of the round but came out swinging again in the fifth. He finished strongly, showing no effects of the fourth round knockdown and was awarded the decision.

The two shows established some hope for boxing in a city where it has failed dismally in the past few years. They also established Rudy Bolds as a top junior-welterweight prospect.

▲NOTES—Pittsburgh Penguin coach Ken Schinkel, who was involved in his share of fights in 20 years of pro hockey, was a spectator at one of the cards. . .Pittsburgh Steelers Henry Davis, Mel Blount and Ron Shanklin were also in attendance. . .There was a significant rise in attendance for the second card, proving that Muhammad Ali is still a big name at the box office. . .Promoter Kadair said he believes boxing can be resurrected in Pittsburgh. . .Former heavyweight prospect Bob Baker refereed the Bolds-Huertas fight. . .The quality of the closed circuit picture was poor.

DECKED IN FIRST, WINNER ●AT FINISH — ANTUOFERMO●

By SAM TAUB

Surviving a first round knockdown, Vito Antuofermo, in Brooklyn by way of Italy, scored a unanimous ten round victory over Tony 'Kid' Durango, from Panama City, in their return ten spot in the Felt Forum, N.Y.

Two of the officials scored it 7-2-1 and the other 8-2. The right man got the duke, in our book, our score being 5-4-1.

Mark Conn was the referee and the judges—Harold Lederman and Artie Aidala.

Showing signs of his cut left eye, Vito also had a slit on his right optic before the shindig ended. Hardly had the scrap opened than Antuofermo was caught with a left hook and dropped, taking the automatic eight count.

The Panamanian did his best work in the early rounds, being a clever worker, but in the final rounds he permitted the ultimate winner to rush him into the ropes and score with two-fisted body attacks.

The weights were: Durango, 151¼ pounds; Vito, 156. He had to weigh in twice and his final weight was given as 156 pounds.

In the supporting card, Fernando Jiminez, of Santa Domingo, 126½, registered a majority win over Ernesto Mathias, from Panama City, 129, in an eight spot. In fours, Pat Barry, New York, 151, registered over Maximo Pierrot, Santa Domingo, 146. Many of the crowd did not like the decision.

Thomas Williams, from New York, 141, unanimously scored over Ray Sanchez, Bronxite, 141, in four, while Jimmy Cogdell, from the Bronx, 194¾, also won unanimously over Eugene Idolette, from Trenton, 184, in four. The latter was saved by the bell while on the canvas taking the count in the last heat.

ACTION IN EUROPE

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middleweight title with his sixth bout. Until their recent commitments in Berlin, when Dagge disposed of Matt Donovan, Trinidad, when August outboxed American Billy Joiner, and Sasse kayoed Dutchman Jan Lubbers in the second frame, opposition for the former amateurs of 1972 had not been stiff, and in fact some of their opponents had been kayoed from the breeze of near misses rather than from a punch that landed. Kakolewicz is at present on ice nursing a damaged right hand.

All four had successful amateur careers. Middleweight Eckhard Dagge, born on February 27, 1948, had 80 fights, won 66, drew 4, lost 10 and represented Germany six times. Heavyweight Bernard August, born on February 22, 1953, had 44 starts, won 37, drew 2, lost 5 and fought for his country on one occasion. Hartmut Sasse, heavyweight, born on July 27, 1949, had 88 outings, won 70, drew 4, lost 14, represented Germany twice and Berlin on 18 occasions.

Light heavyweight Leo Kakolewicz, born Jan. 9, 1950, fought for Berlin six times, had 84 bouts, won 60, drew 4 and lost 20.

Since making their professional debuts, Dagge has won the German middleweight title kayoing champion Peter Tombers. Other scalps include victories over Hans Heukeshofen, Ferzi Tapir, Randy Stevens, Anton Schnedl, Antonio Rimasti and Matt Donovan.

The kayoing of Matt Donovan in two frames was the German's best performance to date. I know of no other boxer to stop this world class boxer from Trinidad so quickly. If you argue that Donovan is not the fighter he was you are probably right, but let us not forget that Donovan was exchanging punches with world champion Kochi Wajima, in Tokyo, only last year. Bernard August's victories were over Herbert Ficks, Manfred Ackers, Ray Adonis, Arno Prick and Billy Joiner.

Joiner has not been active for a couple of years, but you will find Sonny Liston's name in his record twice. On one occasion Joiner stayed the full course with the ex-world champion. Joiner also beat Muhammad Ali when they were amateurs. Hartmut Sasse has beaten Kilani Romdhani, Randy Stevens, Cha Cha Cabrera, Manfred Ackers, Janic Johnson, Ireno Werleman, Jan Lubbers and drew with Rocky Campbell.

Lubbers lost to Britain Chris Finnegan last year in a bout with the European light heavyweight title at stake. Finnegan required eight rounds, Sasse only two. Kakolewicz victims were Otto Lucki, Waldi Clerc, Jean Tshikuna, Jose Maver, Antonio Rimasti and Eddie Patterson.

Providing Dagge keeps his feet on the carpet I see no reason why he should not collect the European crown at some future date. August will probably get a shot at the heavyweight title before Sasse, but both names are good for the division and boxing in general.

Let's hope that Kakolewicz will have better luck and soon be back in action again.

ITALY

▲**Treverni**—Pietro Ceru held on to his Italian welterweight title drawing with Tommaso Marocco, twelve. Lightweight. Ugo DiPietro drew with Thomas Matthews, eight.

▲**Terni**—Elfisio Pinna won the Italian lightweight title outscoring Enzo Pizzoni, twelve. Junior welterweight. Ernesto Bergamesco decisioned Nicola Sassanelli, eight.

GERMANY

▲**Hamburg**—At the Ernst Merck Hall in Hamburg, promoter Wilfred Schultz, with David Dargahi, presented an international show which attracted a crowd of three thousand. Junior middleweight champion Randy Hombac made a successful defense of his crown beating Peter Tombers in round eleven. Alvin Huhnke, Tombers' manager, died in his boxer's corner from a heart attack during the fight. 38-year-old Gregorio Peralta, Argentine, stopped British Billy Aird in round four. Heavyweight. Avenamar Peralta outscored Ba Sounkalo over ten rounds. Light heavyweight. Karl Heinz Klein, Germany, stopped Guinea Roger, in round five. Lightweight. European junior lightweight champion Lothar Abend, Germany, beat Jean de Keers, Belgium, in the opening round. Heavyweight. Erwin Josefs, Curacao, beat Stefan Hentschel, Germany, KO2, who was making his professional debut.

▲**Berlin**—Fritz Gretzschel's 'Three Musketeers', heavyweights Bernard August and Hartmut Sasse, and middleweight champion, Eckhard Dagge, all faced foreign opposition at the Deutschlandhall and continued winning. August outscored Billy Joiner, USA, over eight rounds. Sasse kayoed Dutchman Jan Lubbers in round two and Dagge disposed of Matt Donovan in the second frame. Heavyweight. Ngozika Ekwelum, Nigeria, beat Ireno Werleman, Caracoa, KO2. Welterweight. Wolfgang Gans outpointed fellow countryman Klaus Fuchs, four rounds. Welterweight Erwin Schulz, Germany, and Antonio Trante, Italy, drew their four rounder.

BELGIUM

▲**Gand**—Lightweight. Rudi Haeck beat Jose Carrera, TKO4.

▲**Izegem**—Heavyweight. Jean Pierre Coopmans beat Juan Rodriguez, KO2.

DENMARK

▲**Copenhagen**—Light heavyweight. Tom Bogs, Denmark, outscored Rafael Gutierrez, Mexico, ten. Junior welterweight. Jorgen Hansen, Denmark, outscored Everaldo Costa Azevedo, Brazil, ten. Middleweight. Paoul Knudsen, Denmark, beat Mario Coiro, Italy, KO1. Welterweight. Erkki Meronen, Finland, outpointed Johnny White, USA, eight. Junior middleweight. Christian Larsen, Denmark, and Armando Petronelli, (Italy) drew their eight rounder.

AUSTRIA

▲**Vienna**—Nojim Maiyegun, Nigeria, beat Nicola Menchi, Italy, in one minute and 48 seconds of the first round. Middleweight. Anton Schnedl, Austria, outscored Walter Guernieri, Italy, ten. Junior middleweight. Esperno Postl, Austria, and Klaus Fuchs, Germany, drew a six rounder. Light heavyweight. Fritz Koehler, Austria, outpointed Raffaele Maio, Italy, six. Stefan Kobi, Austria, outscored Hu Bong Park, Korea, four. Junior welterweight. Klaus Jacoby beat Manfred Lessmann, TKO7.

HOLLAND

▲**Amsterdam**—Light heavyweight. Sjeng Verstappen beat Jule Adisa, KO2. Heavyweight. Hennie Thoonen, Holland, beat Manfred Ackers, Germany, KO2. Sjoerd Tuininga beat Franjo Kovac, Yugoslavia, TKO2. Junior middleweight. Ben Zwerzerjinen decisioned FRancisco Panos, Spain, eight. Ex-professional Win Snoek was in the corner looking after the local boys.

SPAIN

▲**Madrid**—Mimoun Mohatar outscored Jose Madrazo, eight. Dum Dum Pacheco beat Epifanio Collado, TKO6.

▲**Madrid**—Lightweight. Perico Fernandez beat Carlos Capella, Argentine, KO eight. Bantamweight. Antonio Tenza decisioned Jose Gabino, eight.

▲**La Coruna**—Jose Gonzalez Dopico retained his Spanish welterweight title beating Domingo Barrera Corpas in the first. A left hook put the challenger out for almost five minutes and then he was taken to the hospital.

▲**Mallorca**—Ten thousand saw ex-European junior welterweight champion, Bossie Hogberg, Sweden, now 35, lose to Dum Dum Pancheco. Lightweight Manuel Calvo decisioned Fierrito Fernandez, Uraguay, eight. Bantamweight. Rodriguez beat Daniel Figueroa, TKO5. Welterweight. Toni Ortiz beat Enrique Levy, TKO3. Hasse Thomsen Quintana Trujillo were both disqualified.

▲**Miranda de Ebro**—Featherweight. Jose Bisbal drew with Arrow Abu, Nigeria, eight. Bantamweight. Pedro Molledo and Antonio Tenza drew an eight rounder.

▲**Madrid**—Heavyweight. Casimiro Martinez beat Joa Tarzan, TKO2. Lightweight. Horacio Ruiz drew with Gomez Foux, eight. Welterweight. Jose Madrazo outpointed Alfonso Fernandez, eight. Light heavyweight. Jose Galvez outscored Victor Varon, eight. Bantamweight. Humberto Mascarell, Brazil, and Valeriano Morales drew their eight rounder.

CUMMINGS NAMED TOP ● AMATEUR BOXING COACH ●

By ROLAND SCHWARTZ

West Yellowstone, Montana—The National AAU has announced the selection of Bill Cummings, Jr., Columbus, Ohio, as 1973 National AAU U.S. Boxing Coach of the Year. Cummings is Coach of the Ohio Youth Commission Boxing Club and is in his 15th year as a Coach.

Cummings was head coach of the Ohio team which won the 1973 National AAU Championship at Boston. This was the first time that an Ohio team won the National AAU title.

The Cummings coached Columbus Golden Gloves team finished third in a field of 32 teams in the 1973 National Golden Gloves Tournament. Three boxers on the Columbus team are members of the U.S. International Olympic Development Squad.

In making the announcement, Roland Schwartz, National AAU Boxing Chairman stated that Cummings was the unanimous choice of the National Boxing Committee.

Bill Cummings was honored at the AAU Awards luncheon, which was held at the Convention Center, West Yellowstone, Montana. He will receive the "Art Morse Memorial Award." The late Art Morse of Toledo, Ohio was considered one of the United States foremost authorities and exponents of amateur athletics.

KIRKMAN OVER BAILEY IN ● TEN ROUNDS, NO DISSENT ●

By JIMMY JOHNSTON

Vancouver, Wash.—Heavyweight Boone Kirkman scored his twenty-ninth victory, against two losses, winning a unanimous decision over veteran Lou Bailey in a ten-round tiff at Denver.

Welterweight Al Foster, of Seattle, won a split decision over Roger Ruckskin of Rivers End, California, in an action packed ten-rounder at Portland. It was the seventh meeting between the two fighters and the first win for Foster. The show was promoted by Sam Singer.

Al Bolden, of Portland, stopped Ronnie Wilson of Vancouver and San Diego in the fifth heat of a light-heavyweight match.

"Irish" Tony Dowling, Vancouver middleweight, has returned from South America and will soon be seen in action in Northwest rings.

● GARRETT STOPS CODY ●

St. Louis, Mo.—Bob Red Garrett, 165, St. Louis kayoed Norbert Cody, 170, in 7. Johnny Heidel, 165, St. Louis, halted Honey Boy Jackson, 172, St. Louis, in 4.

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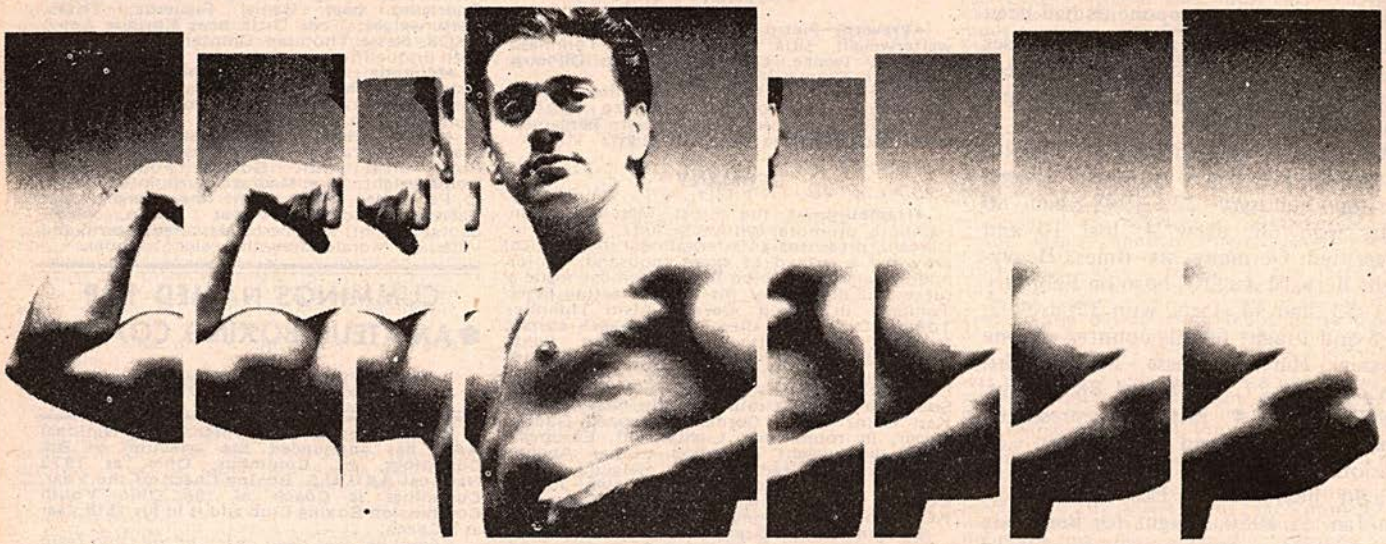

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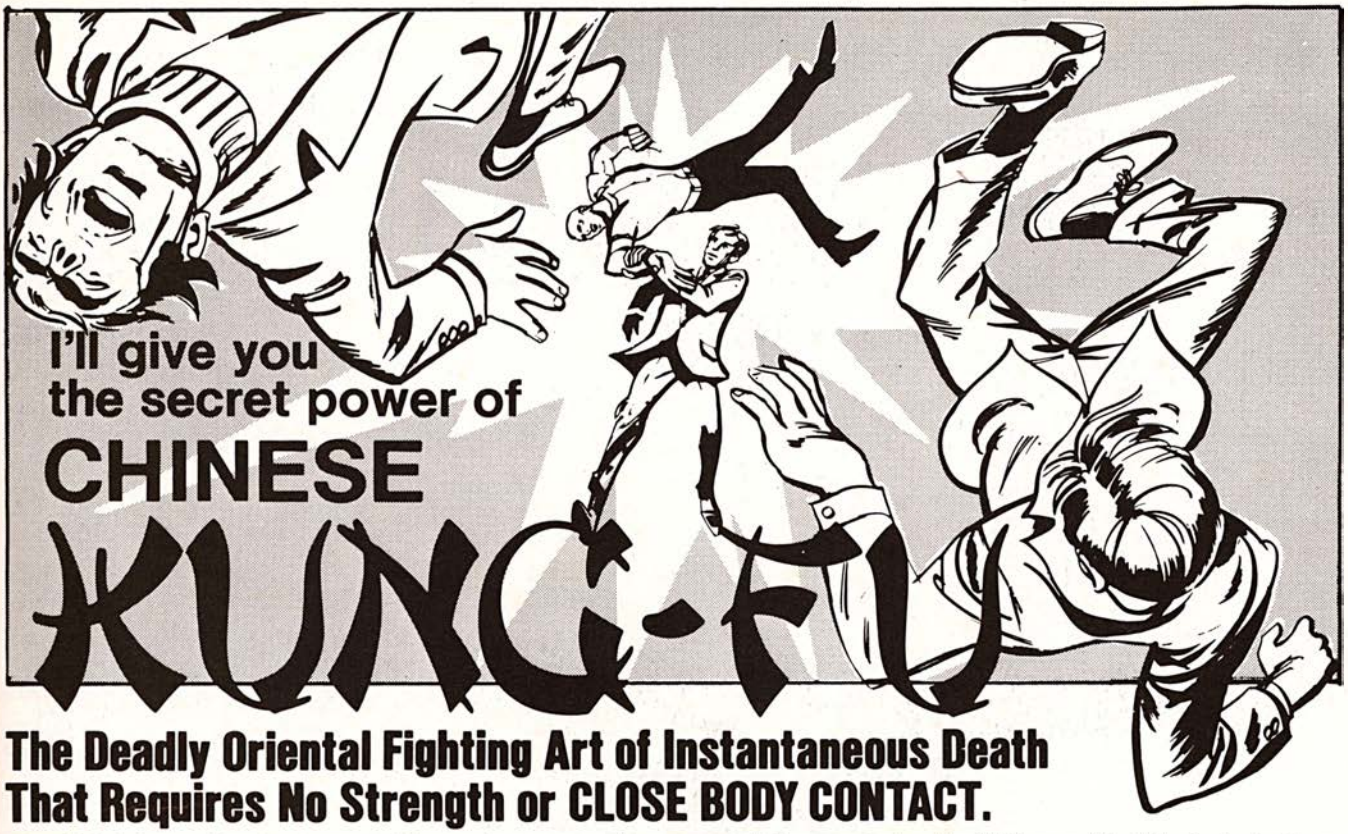

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